



Stockpile Report to the Congress

April - September 1986





Federal Emergency Management Agency Washington, D.C. 20472

May 1987

The Honorable George Bush President of the Senate

The Honorable James C. Wright, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sirs:

This Stockpile Report to the Congress is submitted in accordance with Section 11 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, as amended.

The Stock Piling Act provides that strategic and critical materials be stockpiled in the interest of national defense to preclude a dangerous and costly dependence upon foreign sources of supply in times of national emergency and establishes the National Defense Stockpile for that purpose.

By Executive Order 12155, the President delegated to the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency the policy implementation and planning activities for the National Defense Stockpile under the Stock Piling Act.

This report covers operations of the National Defense Stockpile during the April 1986-September 1986 period.

Sincerely

Julius W. Becton, Jr.

PREFACE

Consistent with past practice, this report covers the operations of the National Defense Stockpile for the period April 1 through September 30, 1996. However, significant changes in the statutory basis of the program occurred immediately after the close of the report period.

Public Jaw 99-591, Continuing Appropriations for Fiscal Vest 1987, was enacted on October 30, 1986, and provided, inter alia, that so later than October 1, 1988, all funds authorized and appropriated before Jawaury 1, 1986, from the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund were to be obligated to availante, test, relocate, upgrade or purchase stockpile materials to meet National Defense Stockpile goals in effect on October 1, 1986.

On November 14, 1986, the National Defense Authorization Act of 1987 (P.L. 99-661) was enacted, which has the following principal effects on the operations of the National Defense Stockpile:

- The prohibition on reductions in stocknile goals was extended to October 1 1987.
- · Additional quantities of stockpile materials were authorized for disposal
- The limitation on disposals imposed by Section 5(b/3) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act was valved for Fiscal Year 1987, provided the moneys received from disposals do not exceed the amount obligated from the Fund during the fiscal year for purposes authorized under Section 9(b/2) of the Stock Piling Act.
- The continuation of the President's ferroalloy upgrading program was mandated for 7 years with minimum annual quantities of chromite and manganese ores to be upgraded to high carbon ferronochromium and high carbon ferromanganese, respectively.
- The Secretary of Defense was required to submit to the Congress a report describing, inter alia, the war emergency situation that should serve as the basis for planning and management of the National Defense Stockpile.

In addition, P.L. 99-661 effected the following amendments to the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act:

- A new Section 6A was added to the Stock Piling Act requiring that the President, by February 15, 1967, designate a single Federal official to be the National Defense Stockpile Manager to perform the functions of the President under the Stock Piline Act.
- Eligible expenses for funding from the Transaction Fund under Section 9(b) of the Stock Piling Act were extended to certain activities incident to the operations of the Stockpile.

On February 13, 1987, the President, in compliance with Section 6A of the Stock Filing Act, designated Julius W. Becton, Jr., Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to be the National Defense Stockpile Manager.

A reference copy of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act as amended by the National Defense Authorization Act of 1987 is included in this report as Appendix 8.

CONTENTS

PR	EFACE
INT	RODUCTIONiv
HIG	GHLIGHTS v
I.	STOCKPILE ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL PROGRAM 1
	Acquisitions of Goal Materials
	Ferroalloy Upgrading Program
	Disposals of Excess Inventory
	Status of the Stockpile Inventory
II.	STOCKPILE BARTER PROGRAM 9
	FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND
IV.	ADMINISTRATION OF THE STOCKPILE PROGRAM 15
	Overview
	Annual Materials Plan
	Legislative Activities
	Research and Development
	Quality and Form Requirements Studies
	Property Management
	Purchase Specifications
	APPENDIXES
Ap	pendix 1. National Defense Stockpile Inventory
App	pendix 2. Calculation Procedure for Family Groupings of Materials . 35
Ap	pendix 3. Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act
Ap	pendix 4. Executive Order 12155, Strategic and Critical Materials 43
Ap	pendix 5. White House Press Release on National Defense Stockpile Policy
-	pendix 6. Summaries of the General Accounting Office Report Assessing the National Security Council (NSC) Stockpile Study and the NSC Response
	pendix 7. Fiscal Year 1987 Annual Materials Plan
Ap	pendix 8. Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act as Revised by the National Defense Authorization

INTRODUCTION

This report is prepared in accordance with Section 11 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Pilling. Act QFL, 964.1, 50 U.S.C. 98 et sept., and ocvers stockpile program activities under the Stock Pilling Act occurring during the period from April I, 1996, through September 30, 1996. The organization of the report is designed to present the information required to be reported by the Act, which includes

- information with respect to foreign and domestic purchases of materials during the preceding 6-month period;
- (2) information with respect to the acquisition and disposal of materials by barter pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Act, during such period;
- (3) a statement and explanation of the financial status of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund and the anticipated appropriations to be made from the Fund during the next fiscal year; and
- (4) such other pertinent information on the administration of the Stock Piling Act as will enable the Congress to evaluate the efectiveness of the program provided for under the Act and to determine the need for additional legislation.

Consistent with these statutory requirements, this report is divided into four major sections:

- Stockpile Acquisition and Disposal Program;
- ll. Stockpile Barter Program;
- III. Financial Status of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund; and
- IV. Administration of the Stockpile Program.

Appendix materials provide:

 Detailed information on the current inventory of materials in the National Defense Stockpile, with a key to abbreviations used in quantity measures and an explanation of calculation procedures; and

> rateric and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act and Executive report period, the White House Press Release on the with related materials, the Fiscal Year 1987 Annual ersion of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock 661.

HIGHLIGHTS

I. STOCKPILE ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL PROGRAM

- There were no acquisitions of stockpile materials funded from the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund during the report period. Jewel bearings valued at \$502,000 were acquired for the Stockpile under separate appropriation.
- Under the ferroalloy upgrading program, a total of 22,844 short tons of ferrochromium and 19,435 short tons of ferromanganese have been received back into inventory as upgraded material during the report period.
- Disposals of three excess stockpile materials with a total value of \$18.4 million were transferred in payment for services under the ferroalloy upgrading program during the report period.
- Silver valued at \$13.3 million was transferred from the Stockpile inventory to the Department of the Treasury for coinage.

II. STOCKPILE BARTER PROGRAM

· There were no new barter agreements negotiated during the report period.

III. FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND

STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUN

- Total receipts of \$1020.8 million have been credited to the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund since its inception in 1979.
- Congress has approved a cumulative total of \$602.3 million from the Transaction Fund for the purchase of materials for the Stockpile and for the research grants program.
- The balance in the Transaction Fund, as of September 30, 1986, was \$598.7 million.
 Of this amount, previously provided obligational authority of \$215.4 million remained for purchases of materials for the Stockpile.

IV. ADMINISTRATION OF THE STOCKPILE PROGRAM

- . The inventory in the Stockpile as of September 30, 1986, had a value of \$8.3 billion.
- In August 1986, the General Accounting Office issued a briefing report on "National Defense Stockpile: Adequacy of National Security Council Study for Setting Stockpile Goals." The National Security Council responded with a rebutual.
- Several bills were considered by both the Senate and House of Representatives containing provisions affecting the operations and management of the National Defense Stockpile.



I. STOCKPILE ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL PROGRAM

Acquisitions of Goal Materials

No purchases of goal materials were funded from the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund during the report period. There were no sequisitions of new materials by barter or exchange. As shown in Figure 1, the only sequisitions of materials during the report period were under the ferroalley upgrading and jewel bearing programs. The cost of jewel bearings acquired for the Stockpile from the U.S. Government-owned William Langer Jewle Bearing Plant located at Rolla, North Dakou, is not included in Transaction Fund accounts because the hearings are funded under a separate program appropriation. During the report period, 558,806 jewel hearings were ordered for the Stockpile at an estimated cost of \$502,000.

Material	Unit	Quantity		Velue
Purchases of New Material		-0-	\$_	-0-
Total Obligations from Transaction	n Fund		\$	-0-
Acquisition by Barter		-0-	\$_	-0-
Total Value of Barter Transactions			\$	-0-
Ferroalioy Upgrading Program Ferrochromium, High Carbon Ferromanganese, High Carbon	ST ST	22,844 19,435	\$	11,376,137 8,712,997
Total Velue of Dativeries of Upgra	ded Materi	el	\$	20,089,134
Other Jewel Bearings	PC	358,886	\$	502,000
Total Valua of Jewel Bearings Del	luariae		s -	502.000

Ferroallov Upgrading Program

In accordance with President Reagen's directive in November of 1982, the General Services Administration (GSA) is in its third year of upgrading chromits or an amaganese or to high earlien ferrochromian and high earlien ferrochromian proper use initiated to help astain a U.S. ferroally ranged was initiated to help astain a U.S. ferroally ranged any approximation of the company o

Contracts covering calendar year 1968 were signed on October 4, 1965, with Macalloy Corporation of Charleston, South Carolina, and Elkem Metals Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for the third year of upgrading chromite and manganess ores, respectively. Direct costs for 1966 will total approximately \$30 million. Payments to the contractors have been made using excess stockpile materials currently authorized for disposar

The CSA reports that program accomplishment for the calendar year 1966 contrasts from April 1, 1926, through September 30, 1936, include the couloiding, sampling, and upgerfailer, or 31,055 short tons out of the contrast total of \$4,028 short tons out of the contrast total of \$4,028 short tons. Deliveries during this same report period consisted of \$2,248 short tons of ferro-chromium, out of a total \$5,211 short tons (which complete this contract) and 19,438 short tens of ferromangement, bringing that total to \$7,305 short form of ferromangement, bringing that total to \$7,305 short tens of the complete this contract) and 19,438 short tens of ferromangement, bringing that total to \$7,305 short tens of prevent complete).

The totals to date for the first three calendar years of the ferroalloy upgrading program, through September 30, 1926, consist of the outloading and conversion of 356,671 short tons of chromite ore and the subsequent delivery of 134,867 short tons

of ferrochromium; and the outloading and conversion of 195,543 short tons of manganese or and the delivery of 98,389 short tons of ferromanganese. There will be an additional 6,585 short tons of ferromanganese to be delivered to complete the 1996 contract. The total ferroalloy upgrading cost for the three years (1983-1986) is nearly \$107 million.

Disposals of Excess Inventory

On October 1, 1985, the General Services Administration (GSA) suspended the offering for sale of excess inventories of strategic and critical materials from the National Defense Stockpile. This action was taken to comply with the restriction in Section 5(b) of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, which prohibits such sales when the balance in the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund exceeds \$250 million. At the close of business on September 30, 1985, this statutory limitation had been exceeded. Unless this restriction is revised by the Congress or the unobligated balance in the Transaction Fund totals less than \$250 million (or \$100 million after September 30, 1987), disposals for each of excess stockpile materials will continue to be halted, (See "Preface" for subsequent change.)

Disposals of excess stockpile materials are permitted under Section (G(x)2) of the Stock Piling Act when used as payment material for upgrading existing inventories of stockpile materials. Under this authority disposals of three excess stockpile materials totaling \$18.4 million in value were made during the report period in support of the ferroalley upgrading program. These disposals involved antimony, tin, and vegetable taming fued-pracho.

As detailed in Figure 2, disposals of excess stockpile materials totaled \$31.7 million in value during the report period. Of this value, \$13.3 million represented transfers of silver to the Department of the Treasury for use in minting Liberty coins.

Figure 2
Disposeis of Excess National Defense Stockpile Materiala
April 1, 1986-September 30, 1988

Material	Unit	Value	Quentity	Balance of Disposal Authority (Quantity)
Transfers for Ferroalloy Upgrading Program Expans	as b			
Antimony	ST		N/A	N/A
Tin	MT	\$18,447,286	N/A	N/A
Vegetable Tannin, Quebracho	LT		N/A	N/A
Transfera to Traesury Department				
Silver	TR OZ	13,297,259	3,500,000	10,000,000
Cash Sales				
Antimony	ST	-0-	-0-	1,783
Asbastos, Chrysotlle	SY	-0-	-0-	5,600
Diamond, Industrial, Stones	KT	-0-	-0-	4,502,630
Manganese Dioxide, Battery Grade, Natural Ore	SDT	-0-	-0-	47,210
Manganese Ore, Metallurgical Grade	SOT	-0-	-0-	292,000
Mice, Muscovite Film 1st & 2nd Qualities	LB	-0-	-0-	997,500
Silvar	TR OZ	-0-	-0-	10,000,000
Talc, Steatite Block & Lump	ST	-0-	-0-	63
Thorium Nitrate	LB	-0-	-0-	40,000
Tin	MT	-0-	-0-	11,769
Tungsten Ores & Concentrates	LB W	-0-	-0-	720,357 3.306
Vagetable Tannin Extract, Chestnut Vagetable Tannin Extract, Quabracho	LT	-0-	-0-	16,461
	LI		-0-	10,401
Total Value of Disposals		\$31,744,545		

Does not include additional disposal authority enacted in P.L. 99661 after the report period.

b Individual meterial datali for transfers under the ferroalloy upgrading program have not been reported expanately by the General Services Administration since January 1966. The ablances of disposal authority reported under ceah sales include reductions for transfers for the upgrading program.

Under Public Law 99-61, transfers of silver (or minting Liberty coins are not subject to the limitations on disposals under Sections 5th) and \$ta\text{\text{this of the Strategic and Ortical Materials Stock Pilling Act.}}

Status of the Stockpile Inventory

In Figure 3, the composition of the National Defenses Stockpile inventory, and September 30, 1996, is summarized in terms of family group equivalents. The value of the inventory for each family group is stated in terms of market prices and September 29, 1986, of the constituent materials included in the family group in their present form. Details included in the family group in their present form. Details on the quantities of all americals consistent of the continuent of the

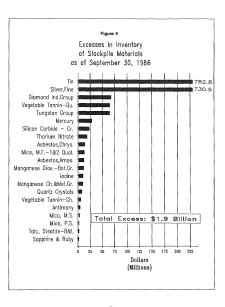
tories may vary from the previous report period due to inventory adjustments by the General Services Administration. Disposals of Defense Production Act inventories are reflected in the overall inventory totals, while receipts are not covered into the Transaction Fund account.

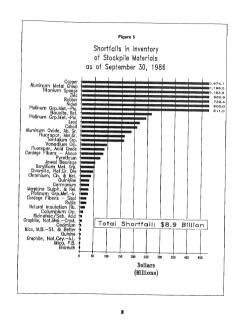
Rank orderings by value, as of September 30, 1986, of the family groups of stockpile materials for which there is inventory excess to current goals or for which there is a shortfall in inventory to meet the goals are presented in Figures 4 and 5.

Inventory Quantity xcess Deficit	42,871,090 4378,876 11,125,771 11,125,771 43,312 43,312 22,98,586 22,98,586 22,136,531 22,136,531 25,136,531 25,136,531 25,136,531 25,136,531 25,136,531	60,000,000 504,017 1,288,267 30,000 803 2,162	45,344,882 498,982 987,639
Inventory	1,420 17,011 7,705	3,363,636	1,569,781 *121,165 *442,475 158,726
Value (Millions)	\$ 826.8 128.6 128.6 102.9 13.5 13.5 5.8 5.8 146.2 345.2 14.0	384.2 185.0 51.5 10.7	2.0 84.3 264.3 19.2 19.2 30.0 27.8
Inventory 9 Quantity (Mi	4,278,912 255,124 37,420 37,011 37,015 2,723 2,302,28 6,302,28 6,302,28 1,302,68 1,302,68 2,713,48 2,713,48	33,063,636 895,983 811,738 611,738 5,497	2,803 7,369,781 74,655,118 601,018 208,165 1,942,475 169,226 5,212,361
Goal	7,150,000 568,000 36,000 17,000 1,400,000 1,120,000 1,333,000 1,333,000 85,400,000 4,850,000 4,850,000,000	60,000,000 29,700,000 1,700,000 30,000 6,300	2,800 5,800,000 120,000,000 1,100,000 1,500,000 10,500 6,200,000
Unit	ST Al Metal ST Ab Grain ST Ab Grain ST S	21 F 6889	ST L8 PC SDT SDT ST Mn Metal FL
Material	I. A Mission West I Group 2. American Oldes, Merstrie Grein Group J. American Oldes, Merstrie Grein Group 2. American Oldes, Merstrie Grein 4. American, Joseph Carlotte 6. Bandick, American 7. Baryllium Reel Group 8. Strand 8. Distant 10. Chorules, One A Realitation of the Company 10. Chorules of the Compa		2. Organist, Machani, Order Endi 2. Longino & Missassy 12. Longino & Missassy 12. Machanistes, Bat. Grade Group 22. Machanistes, Chen. & Metallungical Group 23. Micary 30. Mica. Miscorite Block, Stained & Setter

			Inve	Inventory	Inventor	Inventory Quantity
Material	Undt	Goal	Dunnerten	Value		
Min W			Anguer 153	Carrie Tollis J	Excess	Deficit
Out of the party o						
	67	90,000	1,178,755	\$ 13.8		
oc. Mica, Muscovite Splittings	9	12.630.000	14,652 181	22.0	2 000 101	
	9	210 000	120 746			
Mica.	ď	030 000	110,011			49,655
	× ×	000,000	106,010,1	3.0	146,886	
36. Morphine Sulphate and Related	2	•	-			
Analonefee	o www	130.000	21.000	:		
77 Natural Landahlas Piless	9	000,001	/1,303	24.2		*58,697
	9	1,500,000	٥	•		1.500.00
MICKEL	ST M1+Co	200,000	37.222	137.2		162 778
	Tr Oz	000.80	29 590	12.4		100
Platinum Group	Tr Oz	3,000,000	1.264.602	177.4		1736,30
	Tr 02	1 310 000	AE2 6A1	0 000		10,000
Pyrethrum		000 003		0.602		665,750
43. Quartz Crystale	30	000	2 040 490	1		900,000
	3.2	000,000	1,848,532	11.1	1,248,532	
Aff. Distances	70 44	10,100,000	2,4/3,109	10.4		7,626,89
		4,500,000	3,246,164	7.8		1,253,83
	9	22,000,000	12,524,242	9.7		*0 475 7E
	×	864,000	127.446	126.2		736 554
	SOT	106,000	39, 186	12.0		66 93
	Þ		16.305.502			1
	ts	29.000	90.560	36.2	21 560	
	Tr 02		130 005 707	730 8		
52. Talc. Steatite Slock & Lumo		200	100		100,000,000	
	18 To Motes?	7 160 000	2 642 032			44 613 40
	100	000	2,042,012	1.26	0.00 010	726, 126, 07
	35	000,000	210,121,	2.5	ć	
S6 Titunium Sooms		200,200	100,009	1,024.5	138,189	
		000,001	169,00	D.8/2		158,169
	LB W Metal	20,666,000	74,048,291	260.1	*23.382.291	
	ST V Metal	8,700	721	8.6		*7.979
	17	2,000	12.746	8.6	7 746	
Vegetable Tannin Extract,	5	28,000	126,618	87.0	98,618	
	11	15,000	15,001	10.6	-	
62. Zinc	ST	1,425,000	378,316	347.3		1.045.684
IDIAL VALUE OF INVENTORY						
				0 000 00		

Thenotes the equivalent total excess or deficit if all of the constituent forms in the family group are converted to the family group equivalent.





II. STOCKPILE BARTER PROGRAM

The acquisition of strategic and critical materials for the Stockpile by the General Services Administration from the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) has been on a case-by-case basis, with the question of reimbursement handled as a part of the normal budget process. Administration policy is that the CCC must be reimbursed at the value of the bartered agricultural commodities when transfers of bartered materials are made to the Stockpile.

The U.S. policy on barter continues to be as stated in the President's National Materials and Minerals Program Plan and Report to Congress, dated April 5, 1989.

The Administration will rely primarily upon purchases on the open market to build the nation's stockpile...We will use exchanges and barter to acquire additional stockpile materials when in the best interests of the country.

On February 8, 1985, the President's Report to Congress pursuant to Section 904 of Public Law 98-252 reiterated that policy and clarified that barter and exchange would be used to acquire stockpile materials "in cases where it is more efficient and effective than open market transactions or when in the best interest of the country. There were no new barter agreements negotiated during the report period.

Pursuant to Public Law 99-198, the Food Security Act of 1985, the Department of Agriculture is in the process of identifying potential foreign suppliers of strategic and critical materials for a pilot barter program. The pilot program will be carried out through agreements with at least two countries and will include materials not produced in the United States in amounts sufficient for domestic requirements and for which there are shortfalls in goals established by law for the National Defense Stocknile, Public Law 99-198 states that, to the extent practical, the Secretary of Agriculture is to use private channels of commerce to consummate any exchange of commodities for materials under this pilot program. Any material acquired, in excess of any required reserve, may be sold by the Commodity Credit Corporation to the extent authorized by the Secretary of Agriculture-taking into consideration any effect that such sale may have on the commercial market of such material. The acquired materials may also be transferred, on a reimbursable basis, to any department or agency of the United States that has responsibility for any reserve or other need for the material. The Secretary of Agriculture is to submit a report to Congress with respect to the operation of the pilot program.



III. FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND

All proceeds from the sale of stockpile materials, transfers from the navel petroleum reserved in Fiscal Years 1985 and 1986), and specified direct appropriations, are placed in the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund established under Section 9 of the Strategie and Critical Materials Stock Pilling Act.

As reported by the General Services Administration, the dispeal asles of excess materials from inception of the Fund in Fiscal Year 1979 through September 30, 1995, have a total value of \$463.1 million, as detailed in Figure 6. Information on the other sources for the Transaction Fund is provided in Figure 8.

Figure 6
Cumulative Disposal Sales Commitments of Excess Stockpile Materials
July 30, 1979-September 30, 1996

Meterial	Unit	Quantity	Value
Antimony	ST	2.881	5,313,623
Asbestos, Chrysotile	ST	1,000	1,493,830
Celestite	SDT	1,000	1,00
Diamond, Industriel, Crushing Bort	KT	2,375,123	5,196,18
Diamond, Industrial, Stones	KT	6,711,554	81,128,72
Kyanite	SDT	300	30,00
lodine	LB	640,688	3,582,88
Magnesium	ST	362	763,82
Manganese Dioxide, Battery Grade, Natural Ore	SDT	56.159	4,231,92
Manganese Ore, Chemical Grade	SDT	49,238	3,991,98
Mercuric Oxide	LB	643,175	1,917,64
Mercury	FL	17,172	5,614,57
Mica, Muscovite Film, 1st & 2nd Quality	LB	102,326	347,61
Mica, Muscovite Splittings	LB	6,941,036	4,580,63
Mica, Phiogopite Splittings	LB	1,299,555	1,189,32
Quartz Crystals	LB	613,553	1,908,03
Rare Earth Oxidea	SDT	702	533,00
Rubber	LT	646	469,34
Silver	TR OZ	8,000,000	43,536,05
Telc, Steetite Block & Lump	ST	10	4,00
Thorium Nitrale	LB	38,875	88,69
Tin	MT	14,184	200,791,32
Tungaten Orea & Concentrates	LB W	11,568,460	77,920,11
Vegetable Tannin Extract, Chestnut	LT	4,885	3,210,16
Vegetable Tennin Extract, Quebracho	LT	22,431	14,302,04
Vegetable Tannin Extrect, Wattle	LT	1,350	940,74

Total Sales Since July 30, 1979

\$463,087,023

As reported by the General Services Administration, a total of \$857.7 million has been obligated from the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund from the inception of the Fund through September 30, 1986, to finance the purchase of needed stockpile materials from numerous world sources. The cumulative data by material acquired are shown in Figure 7. In addition, \$9.3 million were obligated during the report period under the research grants program, bringing that program total to \$18.8 million.

Figura 7 Cumulative Obligations from the National Defance Stockpile Transaction Fund July 30, 1979-September 30, 1986

Material	Unit	Quantity	Cost	Origin
Bauxita, Metallurgical Grade	LDT	3,900,000	\$122,484,419	Jameica
Bauxite, Refractory	LCT	100,327	14,923,273	Chine
Beryllium	LB	120,000	28,441,160	Domestic
Cobalt	LB	12,200,000	119,542,459	Various
Iridium	TR OZ	12,600	4,678,897	South Africa
Nickel	ST	5,000	24,263,891	Canada, Norway
Palladium	TR OZ	9,600	1,322,741	South Africa
Quinidina	AV OZ	671,983	2,520,411	Natharlands
Rubbar	LT	8,890	7,019,666	Various
Tantalum Minerals	L8 TA	282,883	11.548,032	Various
Titanium Sponga	ST	4,500	29,327,317	Various
Vanadium	ST V	181	1,679,114	Domestic
Total Obligations for Mate	riais	-	\$367,749,380	
Obligations for Research (Brants		18,802,185	
Total Obligations		-	\$386,551,565	

Canada Zaira and Zambia

b Malaysia, Indonesia, and Thalland.

Geszil, Australia, Germary, Thaliand, the Netherlands, Zaire, Mczambique, Nigwile, Malaysia, Cenada, Rwanda, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Nemibia, Singapore, Spain, Portugal, China, and Argentina.

d Japan, United Kingdom, and the United States.

The financial status of the National Definase Stockpile Transaction Fund from its inception is summarized in Figure 8. As of Soptember 90, 1966, total net resources available to the Fund for acquisitions and grants were \$985.2 million. Of this amount, Congress has approved the use of \$602.3 million to purchase needed stockpile materials from unmerous domestic and foreign sources and for research grants to the University of Massachusetts at Amnerst and the University of Massachusetts at Amnerst and the University of Massachusetts at Amnerst and the University of Medical at Reno. The University of Massachusetts of the University of Massachusetts and Amnerstand the University of Massachusetts of the University of Massachusetts of the University of Massachusetts and Amnerstand the University of Massachusetts of Massachusetts and Massachusetts of the University of Massachusetts and Amnerstand the University of Massachusetts and Massachusett

Beginning in Fiscal Year 1985, receipts from earnings from the naval petroleum reserves were transferred to the Transaction Fund pursuant to Public Laws 98-525 and 99-145. Receipts to date are as follows:

Pursuant to Public Law 99-177, \$35.6 million were sequestered as reflected in Figure 8 and the unobligated balance.

Sales of excess materials prior to July 30, 1979, for which the proceeds of \$44.7 million were received after that date, and adjustments due to over- and under-shipments of disposal contracts, account for the difference between total disposal sales of excess stockpile materials and total receipts from such disposals.

Figure 8
Financial Status of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund
July 30, 1979-September 30, 1996
(Millions of Poliars)

Period	Receipts/ Budget Authority	Obligational/ Budget Authority	Net Obligations	Unobligated Balance in Fund (End Date)
August 1, 1979 to September 30, 1979	\$ 7.3	0	0	\$ 7.3
October 1, 1979 to September 30, 1980	87.0	0	0	94.3
October 1, 1980 to September 30, 1981	99.2	\$100.4	\$ 78.0	115.5
October 1, 1981 to September 30, 1982	161.0	57.9	44.0	232.5
October 1, 1982 to September 30, 1983	53.2	120.0	145.0	140.7
October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984	51.0	120.0	91.5	100.2
October 1, 1984 to September 30, 1985	343.0	185.0	9.0	434.2
October 1, 1985 to March 31, 1986	142.8	19.0°	9.8 ^b	567.2
April 1, 1986 to September 30, 1986	76.3°	0	9.2 ^d	598.7°
Totals	\$1020.8	\$602.3	\$396.5	_

This is a net amount representing the \$20 million appropriated and authorized for obligation by Congress under Public Law 99-190 for research grants, as adjusted for the application of the sequestretion provisions in Public Law 99-177.

This is a net amount representing \$9.3 million in research grants and \$100,000 doubligated.

on of \$35.5 million pursuant to Public Law 99-177.

kpile materials totaling \$524,632,415; receipts from 8,635; and not appropriations for research grants of esources available to the Fund total \$985.2 million.

b Includes \$9.5 million for research grants and \$300,000 in adjustments obligated during the report period for commodities contracted for in prior years.

Includes navel petroleum reserve receipts of \$68.2 million; ellver sales receipts of \$12.1 million; and receipts from disposals in prior years of \$1.4 million.

IV. ADMINISTRATION OF THE STOCKPILE PROGRAM

Overview

The Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act provides that a stock of strategle and critical materials is to be maintained to decrease dependence upon foreign sources of supply in times of national energency. Executive Order 1255 vests the responsibility for planning the stockpile program in the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. (See "Preface" for subsequent legislative changes.)

The Stock Piling Act requires that the stockpile inventory be afficient to cover U.S. needs for not less than three years of a national emergency. The President approves stockpile policy guidelpe assumptions regarding changes in a wartime civil economy, wartime foreign trade patterns, and foreign and domestic production levels for stockpile materials.

These guidelines are followed in determining the stockpile goals which represent the difference between estimated supply and projected requirements for each strategic material. Periodic review and updating of the goals are required to ensure a current estimate of our Nation's unlicrability to resource shortness during an emergency.

The President's Modernization Proposal

The President decided to propose a modernization of the National Defense Stockpile of strategic materials. This proposal is based in part on a 2-year interagency study by 12 agencies. The Administration intends to continue to consult and work with the Congress on this insportant national security program before the new stockpile goals are transmitted to the Congress pursuant to Section 3 of the Strategie and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act.

Included as Appendix 5 is a reference copy of the original news release issued by the White House on July 8, 1985, which provides details on the goal reduction element of the President's modernization proposal.

In August 1966, the General Accounting Office (GAO) issued an interim briefing report "assessing whether the NSC stockpile study is a sufficient basis for U.S. mobilization planning, including the passis for U.S. mobilization planning, including the proposed changes in National Defense Stockpile goods." The report, which questioned certain of the assumptions used in arriving at the proposed stockpile goals, was responded to by the National Security Council. Reference copies of summaries of these materials are provided in Appendix 6.

ANNUAL MATERIALS PLAN

Purnant to Section 11(h) of the Stock Piling Act, the management plan for restructuring the inventory of the stockpile is provided through the development of the Annual Materials Plan (AMP). The AMP is the product of a major interagency offort that developes an annual last of acquisition, disposal, and upgrading actions for stockpile shades the stock of the stockpile of the sto

The AMP is submitted by the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and the House of Representatives. Any revisions to the initial AMP each year are similarly developed and, in accordance with Section 5(a)(2) of the Stock Piling Act, are submitted to Congress by the Director of FEMA when changed market conditions or other factors require such action. During the report period, additional details were submitted on the Fiscal Year 1987 AMP to separately identify disposals under existing and proposed law and currently approved Stockpile goals, as well as to provide planning information for the four succeeding years. A copy of that letter is included in this report as Appendix 7.

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

Enacted Legislation

During the report period no legislation affecting the National Defense Stockpile program was enacted into law. (See "Preface" for reference to subsequent legislative changes.)

Other Legislative Action

H.R. 4781 and S. 2645 were introduced during the report period. Final action was not taken on this proposed legislation during the reporting period.

H.R. 4781 was introduced by Congressman Bennett on May 1, 1966, and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. H.R. 4781 was incorporated into H.R. 4482, the National Defense Authorization Act for 1987, which was reported out of the Committee on Armed Services on July 25, 1966, (House Report 99-718) and passed the House of Representatives on August 15, 1965. The major provisions of H.R. 4781 which would amend the Drawage and Cultical Materials Stock Pling Act

- Any strategic and critical material and its quality, quantity, and form to be stockpiled are to be determined by law.
- Stockpile goals are to be the determinations in effect as of October 1, 1984, until otherwise provided by law.
- Sections 5 (revisions to the annual materials plan), 6 (stockpile management), 10 (advisory committees) and 11 (reports to Congress) may only be delegated to the Secretary of Defense.
- Appropriations for the operation of the National Defense Stockpile and for acquisitions through the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund shall be made to the Department of Defense as part of appropriations for the military functions of the Department.
- The Secretary of Defense may enter into an interagency agreement with the head of any other department or agency for the performance of

stockpile-related functions specified in the screement.

- The Secretary of Defense is to reimburse agencles for expenses incurred relating to the National Defense Stockpile.
- Uses of the Stockpile Transaction Fund are extended to include the development of current specifications of stockpile materials and the upgrading of existing stockpile materials to meet ourrent specifications (including transportation related to such upgrading), testing and quality studies of stockpile materials, and other reasonable requirements for management of the Stockpile.
- The Secretary of Defense is to provide for the refining or processing of any material when necessary to convert such material into a form more suitable for storage and subsequent disposition.
- An annual report is to be submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Defense with recommendstions on stockpile requirements and supporting national emergency planning assumptions.
- The annual report is to include materials identified by the Secretary as necessary for the security of the United States, essential to the economy of the United States, and obtained from foreign sources.
- Each material identified is to be classified as follows:
 - —Class A includes those materials not produced in the United States or produced in the United States in limited quantities, and the net import reliance of the United States for the material is greater than or equal to 65 percent.
 - Class B includes those materials produced in the United States but not in sufficient quannities, and the net import reliance of the United States for the material is greater than or equal to 30 percent, but less than 65 percent.

—Class C includes those materials produced in substantial quantities in the United States, and the net import reliance is less than 30 percent.

The quantities for each of these classes are to be set at the levels of three, two, and one year's domestic net imports for Classes A, B, and C, respectively.

- The Secretary of Defense is to provide a report on the effect (including the cost and the impact on world markets) of establishing the stockpile requirements under the above formula.
- When the stockpile requirements recommended by the Secretary of Defonse differ from the materials and quantities that are identified under the formula, the Secretary is to provide in the report a detailed explanation for such differences.
- The Secretary of Defense is to conduct a detailed analysis supporting the recommended quantity and quality for each material recommended as a strategic and critical material.
- The Secretary of Defense is to conduct a detailed review of the stockpile requirement for each material at least once every five years.
- If the Secretary of Defense determines that the stockpile requirement for a material should be revised, then a report is to be submitted to Congress that notifies Congress of the revision, the recommended stockpile requirement, and the assumptions used in determining the new requirement.

S. 2645, identical to H.R. 4781, was introduced by Senator McClure on July 16, 1986, and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. The Senate tabled S. 2645 on August 8, 1986. (See "Preface" for subsequent legislation enacted.)

S. 2638, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1987, was passed by the Senate on August 9, 1986. Stockpile provisions under Title XI of this Act include:

- No action may be taken before April 1, 1987, to implement or administer any change in a stockpile goal in effect on October 1, 1984, that results in a reduction in the quality or quantity of any strategic and critical materials to be accuired for the National Defense Stockpile.
- Disposals for cash of remaining and newly authorized excess materials in the National Defense Stockpile would be allowed during Fiscal Year 1987 if the balance in the Stockpile Transaction Fund exceeds \$250 million.
- \$120,000,000 is authorized to be appropriated for Fiscal Year 1987 for the acquisition of stockpile materials.
- Uses of the Stockpile Transaction Fund are extended to include storage, development of specifications, upgrading expenses, testing and quality studies of stockpile materials, material and mobilization studies, and other reasonable requirements for management of the Stockpile.
- A 7-year ferroalloy upgrading program is required to convert stockpile chromite and manganese ore to 374,000 short tons of high carbon ferrochromium and 472,000 short tons of high carbon ferromanganese.

H.R. 5294, making appropriations for Fiscal Year 1987 for the General Services Administration, among other purposes, passed the House on August 6, 1986. Provisions adopted regarding the National Defense Stockpile include:

- \$29,412,000 is to be appropriated for Fiscal Year 1987 for the transportation, processing, refining, storage, security, maintenance, rotation, and disposal of materials contained in or acquired for the stockpile and shall remain available through Fiscal Year 1988.
- For Fiscal Year 1987, in addition to the funds previously appropriated for the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund, an additional 85 million is appropriated, to be available until expended, for a grant for construction of a strategic materials research facility at the University of Massachusetts at Ambrest

- Effective January 15, 1987, none of the funds made available by H.R. 5294 or in any other fiscal year may be used to store, maintain or protect more than 127,911,736 troy ounces of silver deposited in the National Defense Stockvile.
- The Administrator of General Services, or any Federal officer assuming the Administrator's responsibilities with respect to management of the stockpile, shall use all proceeds generated from the disposal of silver to purchase, not later than October, 1,988, stockpile materials to the Than October, 1,988, stockpile materials to the National Defense Stockpile goals in effect on October; 1,1984.
- No later than October 1, 1988, the Administrator of General Services, or any Federal officer assuming the Administrator's responsibilities with respect to management of the stockplic, shall use all funds authorized and appropriated before January 1, 1998, from the National Defense Stockplic Transaction Fund to evaluate, test, relocate, upgrade or purchase stockplie metricals to meet National Defense Stockplie goals in effect on October 1, 1984.

H.R. 5438, the Department of Defense Appropriations Bill, 1987, was reported out of Committee (Report 99-793) on August 14, 1986, and contained the following provision on the National Defense Stockpile:

 Effective January 15, 1987, none of the funds made available by H.R. 5438 may be used to store, maintain or protect more than 127,911,736 troy ounces of silver deposited in the National Defense Stockpile.

Hearings

On May 6, 1986, the Subcommittee on Preparedness of the Committee on Armed Services of the U.S. Senate held a hearing on the National Defense Stockylie. Topies covered included legislative reform proposals for the Stockylie, the Administration's proposal stockylie goals and recommended stockylie acquisitions and disposals. EMA, as the Administration spokesman at the hearing, coordinated a presentation on the proposed Stockpile goals. The presentation included representatives from the Departments of Commerce, Defense, the Interior, and State and GSA and the Council of Economic Advisors.

The Administration presentation, partially in elocal hearing, focused on a description of the stockpile steady chaired by the National Security Council which provides a basis for the Administration a smacement of Jaly, 1935, concerning proposed changed in goals (see Application) of the provided changed in goals (see Application) of the provided provide

Other witnesses at the hearing were Senator James McClure and Congressman Charles E. Bennett who testified in behalf of S. 2645, a bill to transfer stockpile management to the Secretary of Defense and to determine stockpile requirements by law, among other burposes.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Mineral Resource Assessment

U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) geologists have developed a predictive model for the origin of important zinc and lead deposits based on research on fluid inclusions (tiny amounts of liquid and vapor trapped in minerals when they form) together with a synthesis of other geologic information. The Ozark region of the central United States (Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas, and Oklahoma) hosts the major deposits of zinc and lead in the Southwest Missouri and Tri-State districts, as well as the smaller Northern Arkansas and Central Missouri districts. These deposits are not only one of the world's major sources of zinc and lead, but also are an important potential source of cobalt, silver, copper, and nickel. Until recently, little was known about the factors that localize ore deposition in these deposits. which are called "Mississippi Valley-type" deposits. Information on the original temperature and chemistry of ore-forming fluid based on fluidinclusion studies, along with a knowledge of temperature changes in rocks based on remnant magnetism and fission tracks, indicate the passage of hot fluid through the region approximately 300 million years ago. New hydrologic computer modeling has confirmed the viability of long-distance fluid migration through highly nermeable sand. stones and carbonates: the time of the fluid flow indicates that the collision of the North American and South American continental plates played a maior role in driving the ore-forming fluids northward from a source in the Arkoma basin. This explanation of the genesis and geologic setting of zinc and lead deposits can be used to identify favorable exploration sites and will permit better assessment and development of domestic and foreign sources of zinc, lead, and accessory metals (see photo of Dr. Hemley with high pressure-temperature equipment).



Dr. J. Hemley, USGS geologist, applies pressure to haboratory equipment used for high pressure-temperature hydrothermal studies. Experiments that estimate the pressures and temperatures of ore-deposit formation provide important information for theories of how strategic mineral deposits were formed and give geologists clues on how to search for new deposits.

Cobalt-copper deposits near Blackbird, Idaho, have been the subject of exploration activity by Noranda Exploration, Inc. (in 1978-82) and of cooperative studies by USGS on the geochemistry of ore formation. Cobalt was discovered in the Blackhird area in 1901 and several ore zones were outlined by exploration work of the Bureau of Mines and USGS as a result of demand for cobalt in World War II Recent studies described in USGS Onen-File Report 86-430, "Volcanogenic character of sediment-hosted cobalt-copper deposits in the Blackbird mining district, Lembi County, Idaho-An interim report," have shown that an exploration strategy designed to find similar deposits should consider much more than the original sedimentary nature of the Yellowiacket Formation the sequence of metamorphosed beds of siltstones and sandstones in which the mineral deposits ocour. The Yellowiscket Formation also contains submarine volcanic rocks, indicative of sea-floor deposits that were formed at the edge of a continent. This information, when evaluated together with unpublished chemical analyses of 312 samples of drill core and viewed from the perspective of modern theories of plate tectonics, suggests that exploration should focus on iron-rich volcanic and sedimentary rocks that have the characteristics associated with this ancient environment. Prospective ore targets are located near the centers of this nast sea-floor volcanic activity

World resources of banxite, the principal raw material used by the aluminum industry, are the subject of an authoristive publication by the USOS (Professional Paper (1978-3)). The report presents the property of the property of the property of distribution, and experimental about the geology, distribution, and experimental about the geology, climated the property of the Bureau of Mines and USOS. The report was prepared in response to increasing demands for information on Mines and USOS. The report was prepared in response to increasing demands for information on the property of the property of the property of the casential tree material and its importance to this inclusive material and its importance to the industrial excession of the United States to the in-

The USGS and Bureau of Mines hosted the 7th Working Group meeting of the International Strategic Minerals Inventory (ISMI) in September 1986. Started in 1981 by the USGS, the Bureau of Mines, and similar agencies in Canada and Germany, this six-nation cooperative program's goal is to gather, analyze, and publish information on the world'a major mineral deposits. The working group made final additions to a report on platinumgroup metals, the fifth in a series of ISMI summary reports published in the USGS Circular 930 series. Progress was reviewed on similar reports on cobalt. graphite, titanium, tungsten, and vanadium. Delegates to the ISMI meeting, held at the USGS offices in Menlo Park, California, also attended a public meeting at the University of Nevada, Reno, where scientists from the USGS and the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology presented the results of mineral-resource assessment studies in the Tonopah, Nevada, 1° x 2° quadrangle. Precious metals operations in northern California and Nevada were the subject of field examinations by this international group of geologists, mining engineers, and mineral economists (see photo of two delegates examining map).



Modern computer technology is required for speedy and securate entry and retrieval of map-related information in the USCS Mineral Resources Data System (MRDS), and 80,000-record data hask of mineral deposit information. Here, Antoinette Medilin (at left), computer systems analyst, reviews output from map plotters into the MRDS system, while Melizas Stells (at right), computer sastistan, digitally encodes map information for entry into the data bank.

The USGS was represented at two international scientific meetings that focused on the geologic aspects of strategic minerals suppliers. At the 7th Symposium of the International Association of the Genesis of Ore Deposits (IAGOD) held in Lulea, Sweden, in August 1986, the USGS barite mineralresource geologist presented the results of research on shale-hosted barite nodules of the Appalachian hasin.

At the International Sedimentological Congress belief in Camberra, Naturalia, in August 1986, the USGS ittanium mineral-resource geologist transition of the Congression of the Congress

Studies of deposits along the southeastern coast of the United States show that the oldest, southernmost sands are most weathered and that climate belts presently between 35°N and 35°S latitudes appear most efficient in producing assemblages enriched by weathering. While in Australia, the USGS specialist also visited Australia's east coast rutile mining province. New heavy-mineral sands deposits are being developed at Duress and Faillford in New South Wales, Interest in exploration for and development of rutile deposits is attributed to the recent high price of rutile coupled with the decline of the Australian dollar relative to other currencies. Previous rutile production in New South Wales has been from deposits of Recent age (less than 10,000 years old), but these two newly developed deposits are of Pleistocene age (10,000 to 2 million years old). Exploration continues for new deposits in Pleistocene sands; although heavy-mineral grades are low in these older deposits, the presence of rutile and possibly ilmenite enriched in TiO2 content by weathering makes these deposits commercially attractive.

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) through the State of Hawaii has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the possible leasing of cobalt-rich manganese crusts in the Hawaii Archipelago and Johnston Island Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). The lessing proposal consists of offering 26,910 square kilometers (approximately 6.65 million acres) of EEZ lands for lease. The estimates of notential metal resources in the proposed lease sale area are 2.6 million tonnes of cobalt, 1.6 million tonnes of nickel, and 81 million tonnes of manganese. Unknown amounts of platinum are also suspected but unconfirmed in the deposits. The deposits lie on the seafloor in the form of crusts or payements of exide minerals in water depths between 800 to 2400 meters on the flanks of volcanically formed islands and seamounts. The present schedule calls for the publication of the draft DEIS in November 1986, followed by public hearings and a comment period, with the final EIS to be published in the spring of 1987. The leasing offering, if approved by the Secretary. would occur in 1988 with leases issued before the end of that year. The preparation of the DEIS was completed with oversight by the Joint Federal-State of Hawaii Task Force, established in 1984 by the Secretary of the Interior and the Governor of Hawaii, The MMS funded the required resource and environmental baseline studies and the preparation of the DEIS, which to date approximates \$2.6 million

During July and August of 1986 a series of scientific dives were made on prospective resource sites on the Gorda Ridge off the coast of California, using the Navy's deep diving submersible. SEACLIFE. A total of eight successful dives resulted in the recovery of a substantial volume of polymetallic sulfide samples and excellent video tape coverage. These samples and photographs are now undergoing detailed analysis and examination Marine scientists discovered large deposits containing copper, lead, zinc, gold, and silver during the series of submersible dives on the Gorda Ridge in about 11,000 feet of water 150-175 miles offshore. The dive program was coordinated by the Gorda Ridge Technical Task Force, a joint Federal/State working group established in 1984 by the Secretary of the Interior and the Governors of California and Oregon. The objective of the dive program was to assess the mineral resources of the Gorda Ridge, which is located within the U.S. EEZ (see photo "U.S. Navy Submersible").



U.S. Navy Submersible vessel SEACLIFF being raised after a successful dive in which samples of metal sulfide deposits were recovered off the Gorde Ridge near California in August, 1986.

The Secretary of the Interior and the Governor of North Carolina, in August 1966, created a joint Morth Carolina, in August 1966, created a joint since the Statel'Rederal task force to define issues surrounding the development of non-energy minarals in the U.S. EEZ offshore North Carolina. East Carolina University researchers estimate the phosporite deposits of southern Onslow Bay to contain at least as 3.75 billion tonnea of phosphate concentract. Phosphates are a primary component of agriculture fertilizers.

The Bureau of Mines continued its field reconnaissance studies and bulk sampling of strategic and critical mineral occurrences in a variety of locations during FY 1986. Initial characterization and metallurgical testing are performed at the Albany Research Center, Oregon. Those samples that warrant more detailed beneficiation research are forwarded to the Bureau's Salt Lake City Research Center in Utah. The most recent bulk sample consisted of one ton of copper-nickel sulfide-bearing rock that contains by-product cobalt and platinumgroup metals. The Bureau also continued its investigations of strategic and critical minerals in Alaska including a columbium-bearing regolith on upper Idaho Gulch, near Tofty, Alaska. Two regolith lenses contain 340,000 pounds of columbium resources at an average grade of 0.07 percent. The Juneau Mining District and Goodnews Bay Mining District studies that started in FY 1985 are continuing. These investigations will identify the type, amount, and distribution of mineral deposits, determine ore reserves, study beneficiation technologies for the ore, and address economic and legislative effects on mineral development.

Large quantities of cobalt are present in spent copper leach solutions. These solutions are one of the most significant, readily accessible domestic resources of cobalt. Potential recovery from an existing stream located at one major United States leaching operation approaches 1,300,000 pounds annually. Additionally, five other domestic copper leach solutions, containing significant cobalt values. have been identified. Bureau of Mines researchers have developed a procedure using continuous ion exchange to extract cobalt and other metals from these spent leach solutions. The process was demonstrated in a 12-ft, high multiple-compartment, continuous ion-exchange column with over 95 percent of the cohalt being extracted. Solvent extraction procedures were used to coextract impurities and produced a cobalt electrolyte from which high-purity metallic cathodes were electrowon. Preliminary economic evaluations of the process are favorable. With credits for zinc, nickel. and copper byproducts, the operation cost was estimated to be about \$10 per pound of cobalt produced. Industrial representatives have expressed their interest in a pilot-scale demonstration of the cobalt recovery process.

Manganese is an essential alloying element in nearly all steels to increase strength, toughness, hardness, and hardenability, Approximately 10 to 11 pounds of manganese are used per short ton of raw steel produced. Manganese also is important in the production of east iron. At present, there are no known satisfactory substitutes for manganese in the making of high-quality iron and steel. The United States has virtually no high-grade reserves of manganese, but low-grade deposits are known. Conventional beneficiation techniques have not proven to be economical for the resources and tests have resulted in poor recoveries. Consequently, the Burcau of Mines is investigating a pre-reduction step using cheap carbon sources to treat the lower grade materials prior to smelting in an electric are furnace. The pre-reduction step should improve overall process efficiency and reduce costs, thus making the low-grade domestic resources more attractive for development in the event they should be needed as sources of manganese for the iron and steel industry (see photo of reduction kiln).



A 500-kilogram reduction kiln used by the Bureau of Mines to treat low-grade manganese resources.

The wear of equipment is a significant cost in the mining and processing of minorial. To combat wear, parts are made from steel alloys containing, charging, including, and common steel parts are surfaced with hard, magnesse, molybedmun, nickel, tungsten, or vanadium, or common steel parts are surfaced with hard costs by wedding the alloy on to the wear-prone surfaces. The Bureau of Mines had eveloped an extending to form a hard surface fally on sized at the time it is cast into the decired shape. The ser method reduces the amount effect of shape. The ser method reduces the amount extending the costly welding process (see photo of backet wheel Governation.



To reduce wear, an improved technique to put hard surfaces on materials, such as the teeth of this bucket-wheel excavator, has been developed by the Bureau of Mines.

The Bureau of Mines developed a slimes dewatering process utilizing polyethelene oxide (PRO) as the flocculant. Although the initial target of this research effort was settling of Florida phosphate slimes, application of the PEO process, principally to reduce turbidity, was envisioned for Alaska placer operations. Four demonstrations were performed in interior Alaska under varying conditions. Results of the demonstrations indicated two benefits of PEO dewatering: it materially improves reclamation procedures and also enhances effluent water quality although not necessarily to the degree required by the stringent State water quality standards. The PEO process is the best available control technology demonstrated to date and the data developed by the Bureau demonstrations could be helpful in initiating legislation to amend State water quality standards for placer mine effluents possibly on a site-by-site basis.

Under the Department of the Interior's Mineral Institutes program (authorized by Public Law 98-409), grants totalling \$9.4 million were made to 31 in stitutions of higher learning which specialize in research benefiting the mineral sector of the economy and in training scientific and technical personnel. Since 1978 grants totaling \$75 million from the Federal government, which are supplemented with substantial State and private funds have been made available. Improved training for personnel and knowledge relating to the locating. mining, and processing of minerals serves to support the availability of strategic and critical minerals which provide the basis for our manufac turing and other industries. In addition to many liverse projects at the 31 institutions, research is also supported in broad areas of technical expertise applicable across the minerals sector at five Generic Mineral Technology Centers, namely: Mine Systems Design and Ground Control, Pyrometallurgy, Mineral Industry Waste Treatment and Recovery, Comminution, and Respirable Dust.

Thirty-two of fifty-four foreign trips to fifteen countries taken by Bureau of Mines personnel in the second half of FY 1986 were made in support of Bureau mining and metallurgical research programs. Twenty-two of the total foreign trips were taken in support of the mineral information gathering and policy analysis programs of the Bureau (see



Dr. John Papp (right) of the Bureau of Mines and an official of the Southern Cross stainless steel plant of Middelburg Steel & Alloys near Middelburg, South Africa, inspect strategic metals.

The Bureau of Mines continued to maintain its close cooperative research relationship with Canada. In May at the annual meeting of the Bureau of Mines and the Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology (CANMET) in Sudbury, Ontario, the Director of the Bureau signed a five-year extension to the existing umbrella agreement between the two organizations on cooperation in mining, metallurgy, and energy research. The Director also signed a new agreement with the Mineral Policy Sector of the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources of Canada, for joint cooperation in mineral economic and engineering information. Other Bureau travel to Canada included participation in the International Symposium on the Environmental and Health Effeets of Cobalt, the 17th Rare Earth Research Conference, and the International Symposium on Nickel Metallurgy. Specific project travel to Canada involved work on diesel control systems, mine subsidence, mine accident prevention, methane gas control, biohydrometallurgical research, column flotation technology, and melting of incinerator residues.

In May, a Bureau delegation visited China to negotiate the proposed protocol on metal mining and minerals research cooperation with the China National Nonferrous Metals Industry Corporation and the proposed annex to the China-U.S. Department of Energy Fossel Energy Protocol on coal mining research cooperation with the Chinese Coal Ministry, and to visit several research institutes, mines and smellers.

Bureau research travel funded through the State Department Science and Technology Program in cluded cooperative programs with two mining institutes in Yugoslavia on longwall coal mining techniques, coal mining land reclamations, lead-zinc dust control, and methane gas control and with the Spanish research organization Centro National de Investigaciones Metalurgicas (CRNIM) on high temperature, direct reduction room retechnology.

Bureau restarchers presented a short couse on underground coal mein instrumentition for the staff of the Instituto de Pequiusa Technologicas. Sos Paulo, Brazil, consulted with Saudi Arabia on the transfer of Bureau-developed iron-ore agglementante technologic; attended a meeting of the United Nationa Committee of Experts on the United Nationa Committee of Experts on the United National Committee of Experts on the United National Committee of Experts on the United National on a program to ransfer U.S. Transport of Dangard, attended in the United National on a program to ransfer U.S. and on jet-cutting technology in the United Kingdom; and participated in a seminar on the National Committee of the United National Committee of the United National Symposium to Monthly Institute of the United National Symposium to Magid the United National Committee of the United National Symposium of the United National Committee o

Büreus representatives also participated in the shift international Fernal Peral International Fernal Peral International Fernal Peral International Fernal Peral International Fernal International Fernal International Fernal International Peral International Peral International Peral International Peral International Inter

The Bureau of Mines prepared a roport, "Manganese Industry of the U.S.S.R.," covering manganese reserves, mining technology, ferroalloy production, trade and consumption. The data demonstrate that, in all likelihood, increasing difficulties will be faced in the future by the manganese industry of the U.S.S.R. Although the U.S.S.R. is the world's largest producer of manganese, its reserves of highgrade ore are being rapidly depleted and, recently, imports have been necessary. Soviet electric furnace ferromanganese capacity has expanded. creating additional demand for high-grade ore. The U.S.S.R. has extensive reserves of manganese carbonate ore, although the technology for using such ores is high cost and not well established. The U.S.S.R. also has an opportunity to increase the life of its manganese supply through more efficient manganese consumption in its steelmaking. The U.S.S.R. uses about twice as much manganese per ton of steel compared to other industrial countries.

QUALITY AND FORM REQUIREMENTS STUDIES

The National Materials and Minorals Policy Research and Development Act of 1980 (P.L. 96-479) mandated a report to the Congress on actions taken by the Administration to implement the Act. In the "National Materials and Minorals Program Plana and Report to Congress", alumitted on April S, 1982, pursuant to that Act, the President model the importance of stockpile quality and form requirements and the need for assessments. The report stated:

"In the past, questions have been raised about the quality of the stockpiled materials. In addition, the form in which material is held may not be ideal for current industrial use. Recently steps were initiated to address the adequacy of the quality and the appropriate mix of alternative forms of existing materials.

"Since the material in the stockpile is old, a careful review of the quality and form of stockpiled materials is in order. Therefore, this Administration will establish a panel, with appropriate private sector input, to review the extent of material deficiencies and to recomment remedial action, if needed," Responding to that guidance, FEMA and the Department of Commerce, through an interagency agreement, undertook quality and form assessments for cobalt, chromium, nickel, vanadum, columbium, and tantalum. The American Society for Mental (ASM), locases of its American Society for Mental (ASM), locases of its substret of the commerce of the commerce of the substret of conduct the studies, All of the substret of conduct the studies, All of the reports on columbium, tantalum, and vanadium having been delivered during the report period.

During the report period, FEMA entered into a new interagency agreement with the Department of Commerce, under which the ASM will begin quality and form assessments for gallium, germanium, other minor metals required for high-technology applications, and fiber constituents of composites used in aircraft and other military applications. These assessments are designed to identify critical applications, supply/demand outlook, and domestic production and processing capability. The first ASM panel meetings on gallium and germanium were scheduled for November 1986 and will involve representatives from the producing and consuming industries and government representatives from the Departments of Commerce, Defense, Energy, and the Interior, the General Services Administration, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The results of these assessments will form the basis for detailed reviews and determinations on stockpile requirements.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Section 6 of the Strategic and Gritical Materials Stock Piling An garms authority to the President to conduct the property management functions of the National Defense Stockpile. Executive Order 12155 delegates this property management authority to the Administrator of General Services under the policy guidance of FEMA as provided in Section 3 of the Act. The Federal Property Resources that the policy guidance of FEMA as provided in Section 3 of the Act. The Federal Property Resources disposal, storage, maintenance, security, refiling, processing, and rotton activities of the Stockpile program. [See "Preface" for reference to subsequent legislative changes.)

Inventory Quality Assessment

The quality of certain materials must be assessed when there is passible deterioration, when there is an incomplete evaluation, or when the quality is unknown against current specifications that incorporate significant changes due to technological divances since the materials were first acquired. Commodities selected for assessment this year were been proportionally specified vulber, itunium, tungston, technically-specified vulber, itunium, tungston, as supplied and analysis and to determine if physical or chemical changes have taken nobec during storage.

Storage Depots and Sites

The operation and maintenance functions of the National Defense Stockpile storage depots and sites have been scheduled for study and economic review under the requirements of the OMB Circular No. A-76 (revised). Performance of Commercial Activities, August 4, 1983. The study was begun in Fiscal Year 1986 and includes shipping, receiving, storage, maintenance, and other related services performed at the storage depots/sites. The results of the study will be subject to a cost comparison pursuant to the OMB Circular to determine the most economical method of performing these services. The outcome of the cost comparison will determine if the functions are retained by the Government or contracted out to the private sector. The entire process is scheduled for completion by the end of Fiscal Year 1987.

PURCHASE SPECIFICATIONS

Since 1962, the Department of Commerce has had repossibility for developing, maintaining, and isusing (after FEMA approval) stockpile purchase a pecifications and special instructions. This arrangement is conducted under a letter of agreement originally between the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of the Office of Emergency Flamming, mental of Commerce exhibited an interagency committee—the Interagency Committee for Stockpile Purchase Specifications and Special Instructions—to assist in the development and review of purchase specification and special instructions documents. Since 1976, the Committee—thaired by the Department of Commerce and with membership representing the Departments of

Defense, the Interior, and Agriculture, and the General Services Administration and FEMA—has developed or revised National Stockpile Purchase Specifications for 59 materials. (See Figure 9.)

Figure 9 PURCHASE SPECIFICATION REVISIONS SINCE 1976 YEAR

			YEAR								
MATERIALS	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1976 1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986	1985	1986
1. Aluminum		Γ			Г			Γ	Ľ		
2. Aluminum Oxide Abrasive, Fused, Crude		Γ			×	Γ	Γ	Γ			
3. Antimony Metal					×						
4. Antimony Sulphide One & Concentrates				Γ		Γ		Γ	Γ	Γ	
Chemical Grade	_			_	×	_			_	_	
5. Asbestos - Chrysotile							×				
6. Bauxite - Abrasive Grade						×					
7. Bauxite, Metal Grade, Jamaica Type		Г		Г		Γ		×		Γ	
8. Bauxite, Refractory Grade							×				
9. Beryl Concentrates					×						
 Berylliun - Copper Master Alloy 					×						
Il. Beryllium Metal, Hot-Pressed											
Powder Billets, Grade A	_				_				×		
12. Beryllium Metal, Hot-Pressed											
Powder Billets, Instrument Grades										×	
13. Beryllium Metal, Vacuum Cast Ingot				L		×					
14. Bismuth					×						
15. Cadmium				×							
16. Castor Oil							×				
17. Chestnut Tannin Extract					×						
18. Chromite - Chemical Use	L									×	
19. Chromium Metal										×	
20. Ferrochronium - Low Carbon	×										
21. Ferrochronium - High Carbon								×			
22. Cobalt	L									×	
23. Columbium Source Materials									×		
24. Copper									~		
25. Cordage Fibers - Sissi		×									
26. Fluorspar - Acid Grade	×										
27. Fluorsoar - Metallurgical Grade			L						×		
28. Germanium Metal											×
29. Iridium						×					l
30. Jewel Bearings						×					
									×		
32. Manganese Metal - Electolytic	×										
33. Ferromanganese (Standard High Carbon)								×			
34. Mornhine Sulphate	L			×							

Figure 9 (continued)

		100	9	rigure 9 (continued)	80)							
							YEAR					
	MATERIALS	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1976 1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986	1986
35.	Nickel - High Purity								-			
×					×		ſ					
3							×					
38.		_					Ļ					
39						×						l
9						~						
47									×			
42						×						
3			~							ľ		
d	Rubber - Technically Specified Rubber						Γ					
	(Hevea)	_				_		×				
5	Rubber - Parthenium (Guayule)									×		
9							×					
Ŀ	Sapphire & Ruby Components, Synthetic		Γ				-					
48							×					
6						~						
8						~	ſ			١		
51.						×						1
52.	Tantalum Carbide Powder					×						
2	1						X					
Ŗ,	Tin			L		×						
55.	Titanium Metal Sponge							×				
9	Vanadius Pentoxide						×					
5			×									
85	Wattle Tannin Extract					X						
g										×	L	

NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE INVENTORY

The data on the National Defense Stockpile inventory given in Table 2 excludes quantities that were sold but not shipped from depots to the purchasers. In the Statistical Supplement (issued by the General Services Administration), the inventory is listed as "Total Inventory in Storage" with a separate line for "Unshipped Sales."

The inventory quantities given in Table 2 combine stockpile and nonstockpile grade materials. Separate quantities for each of these grades can be found in the Statistical Supplement. Nonstockpile grade material may vary only slightly from the stockpile grade and in some cases is temporarily credited toward enals.

In previous reports, where a goal deficit occurred, the excess of another form of the material was credited to offset the shortage. To more clearly deplicatual excesses and deficits in the stockpille inventory, actual quantities of each material form held in inventory is given in Table 2, as well as the excess or deficit for each force.

Materials are grouped by "families," and a summary line for each basic family group is included. The materials have been grouped in each family according to their status as raw materials. semifinished products, or finished products that contain the same common ingredient. The values shown in the summary line for each family group are expressed in the basic unit common to all members of the group. In all but three cases, this basic unit is the metal equivalent for each form. There is a different conversion factor for each form because each requires different technology and incurs different losses for conversion. The factors used for calculating these equivalent amounts and the calculation procedure are provided in Appendix 2.

Markst values are based on current prices at which comparable materials are being traded. In the absence of current trading, the market values are estimated. The market values are not necessarily the amount that would be realized if the materials were sold. A key to abbreviations used in Table 2 and desorhere in this report is provided in Table 2.

	Table 1		
	Abbreviations		
AMA LB	- Anhydrous Morphine Alkaloid (Pounds)	ST	· Short Ton
Av Oz FL	- Avoirdupois Ounce - Flask (76-pound)	ST Ab	 Short Tone of Contelned Abrasive Grain
KG KT	- Kilograms - Carat	ST AI	 Short Tons of Contained Aluminum
LB Cb	Pound Pounds of Contained Columbium	ST Be	 Short Tons of Contained Beryillum
LB Co LB Mo	Pounds of Contined Cobalt Pounds of Contained Molybdenum	ST Cr	 Short Tons of Contained Chromlum
LB Ta LB W	Pounds of Contained Tentalum Pounds of Contained Tungsten	ST Mn	 Short Tons of Contained Manganese
LCT LDT	- Long Calcined Ton - Long Dry Ton	ST NI + Co	 Short Tons of Contained Nickel plus Cobalt
_T MT	- Long Ton - Metric Ton	ST V	 Short Tons of Contained Venadium
PC SDT	- Piace - Short Dry Ton	Tr Oz	- Troy Ounce

Table 2

National Defense Stockpile of Strategic and Critical Materials Inventory as of September 30, 1986

				Inventory	tory	Inventory	Inventory Quantity
	Material	Unit	Goal	Quantity	Value (Millions)	Excess	Deficit
÷	1. Aluminum Metal Group	ST Al Metal	7,150,000	4,278,912	\$ 826.8		*2,871,090
	Aluminum Sauxite, Metal Grade, Jamaica Type Sauxite, Metal Grade, Surinam Type	: ta 5 5	21,000,000 6,100,000	2,080 12,457,740 a/ 5,299,597	2.3 / 560.6 263.9		697,920 8,542,260 800,403
2	2. Aluminum Oxide, Abrasive Grain Group Aluminum Oxide, Abrasive Grain	ST Ab Grain ST	638,000	259,124	128.6	50,904	*378,876
	Aluminum Uxide, Fused, Crude Bauxite, Abrasive Grade	rot To	1,000,000	249,867	65.0	249,867	1,000,000
e,	3. Antimony	ls.	36,000	37,420	102.9	1,420	
÷	4. Asbestos, Amosite	ts.	17,000	34,011	23.8	17,011	
5	5. Asbestos, Chrysotile	ts.	3,000	10,705	19.5	7,705	
6	6. Sauxite, Refractory	LCT	1,400,000	274,229	63.9		1,125,771
.'	Geryllium Metal Group Beryl Dore (11% 8e0) Beryllium Copper Master Alloy Beryllium Metal	ST Be Metal ST ST ST	1,220 18,000 7,900 400	17,856 7,387 290	223.1 16.0 94.6 112.5		*131 164 513 110
8	Bismuth	87	2,200,000	2,081,298	5.8		118,702
6	9. Cadmium	2	11,700,000	6,328,809	6.8		5,371,191
10.	Chromite, Chromite, Chromite,	ST Cr Metal SOT ST ST	1,353,000 675,000 3,200,000 185,000	1,309,688 242,414 2,130,938 524,352	1146.2 11.9 248.1 390.6	ام	*43,312 432,586 1,069,062
	Chromium, Perro, Low Larbon Chromium, Ferro, Silicon Chromium, Metal	মান	20,000	3,763	52.1 25.4	246,543	31,643
11.	. Chromite, Refractory Grade One	SOT	850,000	391,414	39.1		458,586

Table 2 (continued)

Ì				Inventory		Inventor	Inventory Quantity
- 1	Material	Unit	Goal	Quantity	(Millions)		Deficit
33	39. Platinum Group Metals, Iridium	Tr 0z	98,000	29,590	\$ 12.4		68,410
40	40. Platinum Group Metals, Palladium	Tr 0z	3,000,000	1,264,602	177.4		1,735,398
4	41. Platinum Group Metals, Platinum	Tr Oz	1,310,000	452,641	269.8		857,359
42.	42. Pyrethrum	138	500,000	0	,		200,000
5	43. Quartz Crystals	87	600,000	1,848,532	11.1	1,248,532	
#	44. Quinidine	Av 0z	10,100,000	2,473,109	10.4		7,626,891
45.	45. Quinine	Av Oz	4,500,00	3,246,164	7.8		1,253,836
46	46. Ricinoleic/Sebacic Acid Products	89	22,000,000	12,524,242	9.7		*9,475,758
47.	47. Rubber	MT	864,000	127,446	126.2		736,554
8	48. Rutile	SOT	106,000	39,186	12.9		66,314
9	49. Sapphire and Ruby	кт	0	16,305,502	.2	16,305,502	
8	50. Silicon Carbide, Crude	ST	29,000	80,550	36.2	51,550	
Ę.	51. Silver, Fine	Tr 0z	0	130,005,707	730.5	730.5 130,005,707	
25	52. Talc, Steatite Block & Lump	21	28	1,081	4.	1,053	
53.	Tantalum Group Tantalum, Carbide Powder Tantalum Metal	18 Ta Metal 18 Ta 18 Ta 18 Ta	7,160,000	2,642,073 28,688 201,133	92.7 44.2	28,688 201,133	4,517,927
z.	54. Thorium Mitrate		000,000	7,121,812	19.5	6,521,812	
55.	55. Tin	W.	42,700	180,889	1,024,5	138,189	

Table 2 (continued)

				Inventory	ory Velice	Inventory Quantity	Quantity
1	Material	Unit	Goal	Quantity	(Mt]Tions)	Excess	Deficit
56.	56. Titanium Sponge	ST	195,000	36,831	\$ 278.0		158,169
57.	57. Tungsten Group Tungsten Carbide Powder Tungsten, Ferro Tungsten, Wetal Powder Tungsten Ores & Concentrates	LS K K K LS LS K K LS LS K K LS LS K K K LS	50,666,000 2,000,000 1,600,000 55,450,000	74,048,291 2,032,942 2,025,361 1,898,831 80,013,111	260.1 20.2 24.8 24.7 190.4	23,382,291 32,942 2,025,361 298,831 24,563,111	
58.	58. Vanadium Group Vanadium, Ferro Vanadium Pentoxide	ST V Metal ST V ST V	8,700 1,000 7,700	721	8.6		1,000
59.	59. Vegetable Tannin Extract, Chestnut	5	2,000	12,746	8.6	7,746	
.09	60. Vegetable Tannin Extract. Quebracho	5	28,000	126,618	87.0	98,618	
61.	61. Vegetable Tannin Extract, Wattle	5	15,000	15,001	10.6	1	
62.	62. Zinc	ST	1,425,000	378,316	347.3		1,046,684
	TOTAL VALUE OF IMVENTORY	NA.			8,334.5		

 g) sauxite, Metal Grade, Jamaica Type: Includes 400,000 LOT in the physical custody of 6SA, title to which is scheduled to be transferred to the Stockpile during Fiscal Years 1988-1990. * Equivalent quantity. (See accompanying text and Appendix 2.)

b) The President's Ferroalloy Upgrading Program and P.L. 99-661 have provided for increases in the inventory In excess of the October 1, 1984, goals for these upgraded forms. Consequently, no excess quantity is listed.

CALCULATION PROCEDURE FOR FAMILY GROUPINGS OF MATERIALS

The example below is designed to help the reader understand and perform the conversions and calculations used in determining summary totals for base family grouping of materials. The purpose of using base units for each of the families for groups of materials is to place the content of the primary material of interest into a common equivalent measure for easier and more meaningful comparison.

In time of emergency, there would be need for a mix of various forms of each material within a family grouping. Consequently, the stockpile goal for a family group of materials is a mix of products at various stages of uggrading. The goal is calculated by examining expected wertime requirements, availability, and domestic capacity to produce each of the various upgraded forms within the grouping.

There is a different factor for converting each of the forms into a common equivalent measure. usually the basic metal equivalent. The conversion factors are different because process conversion losses vary. For example, in converting the aluminum metal group into aluminum metal equivalent, the following conversion factors are

	Multiple Factor
Bauxite, Metal Grade, Jamaica Type	0.231
Bauxite, Metal Grade, Surinam Type	0.264

These factors are used to convert these two types of banktie in the stockple inventory into aluminum equivalent (e.g., 12.457,740 x 0.251 = 2.877,738; 5.295,97 x 0.264 = 1,399,034). The total of these two conversions plus the 2,090 short tons of aluminum in metal form in the inventory result in an aluminum family group equivalent in the stockpile inventory of 4,278,912 short tons of aluminum.

Factors Used for Converting Malerials Into Family Groups

Materials	Unit	Multiple Factor	Basic Family Unit
Aluminu	ST	0.518	Metal Equivalent, Aluminum
Aluminum Oxide, Fused, Crude	ST	0.833	Aluminum Oxide, Abrasive Grain
Bauxite, Abrasive Grade	LCT	0.641	Aluminum Oxide, Abrasive Grain S.T.
Bauxite, Metal Grade, Jamaica	TypeST	0.231	Metal Equivalent, Aluminum
Bauxite, Metal Grade, Surinam	Type, ST	0.264	Metal Equivalent, Aluminum
Beryl Ore (11% BeO)	ST	0.028	Metal Equivalent, Beryllium
Beryllium Copper Master Alloy	(4% Be)ST	0.04	Metal Equivalent, Beryllium
Chromite, Chemical Grade Ore	ST	0.286	Metal Equivalent, Chromium
Chromite, Metallurgical Grade	OreST	0.286	Metal Equivalent, Chromium
Chrossium, Ferro, High Carbon	ST	0.714	Metal Equivalent, Chromium
Chromium, Ferro, Low Carbon	ST	0.714	Metal Equivalent, Chromium
Chromium, Ferro, Silicon	ST	0.429	Metal Equivalent, Chromium
Columbium, Concentrates	LB	0.850	Metal Equivalent, Columbium
Diamond Dies, Small	PC	0.50	Carat
Manganese, Dioxide, Battery &	radeSDT	1.000	Manganese, Dioxide, Battery Grade, Synthetic
Manganese, Chemical Grade .	ST	0.400	Metal Equivalent, Manganese
Manganese, Metallurgical Grad	eST	0.400	Metal Equivalent, Manganese
Manganese, Ferre, High Carbon	nST	0.800	Metal Equivalent, Manganese
Manganese, Ferro, Medium Car	rbon ST	0.800	Metal Equivalent, Manganese
Manganese, Ferro, Silicon	ST	0.720	Metal Equivalent, Manganese
Opium Gum	AMA LB	1.000	Opium Salts
Tantalum Minerals	LB	0.85	Metal Equivalent, Tantalum
Tungsten Ores and Concentrate	s LB	0.851	Metal Equivalent, Tungsten

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS STOCK PILING ACT (P.L. 96-41, 50 U.S.C. 98 et seg.) as of September 30, 1986

SEC. I. This Act may be cited as the 'Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act'.

FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

SEC. 2. (a) The Congress finds that the natural resources of the United States in certain strategic and critical materials are deficient or insufficiently developed to supply the military, industrial, and essential civilian needs of the United States for national defense.

(b) It is the purpose of this Act to provide for the acquisition and retention of stocks of certain strategic and critical materials and to encourage the conservation and development of sources of such unsterials within the United States and thereby to decrease and to preclude, when possible, a dangerous and costly dependence by the United States upon foreign sources for supplies of such unsterials in times of national emergency.

MATERIALS TO BE ACQUIRED: PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY AND GUIDELINES

SEC. 5. (a) The Pausient shall descensine from time to time (b) which materials are strategic and critical materials for the purposes of this Act, and (2) the quality and quantity of each each material to be acquired for the purposes of this Act and the form in which each such naterial shall be acquired and stored. Such materials when acquired, neighter with a such a such a such a such a such as a such as a ball oncutture and be soluted-welly known as the National Defones Steckpile (herenafter in this Act referred to a the 'yeckcaller').

(b) The President shall make the determinations required to be made under subsection (a) on the basis of the following principles:

(1) The purpose of the stockpile is to serve the interest of national defense only and is not to be used for economic or budgetary purposes.

(2) The quantities of the materials stockpiled should be sufficient to sustain the United States for a period of not less than three years in the event of a national emergency.

(e) The quantity of any material to he stockpiled under this Act, as determined under aubsection (a), may not be revised unless the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives are neitified in writing of the proposed revision and the reasons for such revision at least 30 days before the effective date of such revision.

MATERIALS CONSTITUTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE

SEG. 4. (a) The stockpile consists of the following materials:

(1) Materials acquired under this Act and contained in the national stockpile on the day before the date of the enactment of the Strategie and Critical Materials Stock Piling Revision Act of 1979.

(2) Materials acquired under this Act on or after the date of the enactment of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Revision Act of 1979.

(3) Materiale in the supplemental stockpile catabilished by section 104(b) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (as in effect from September 21, 1959, through December 31, 1966) on the day before the date of the ensetment of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Pilling Revision Act of 1979.

(4) Materials acquired by the United States under the provisions of section 303 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2093) and transferred to the stockpile by the President pursuant to subsection (f) of such section. (5) Materials transferred to the United States

under section 663 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2423) that have been determined to be strategic and critical materials for the purposes of this Act and that are allocated by the President under subsection (b) of such section for stockpilling in the stockpille.

- (6) Materials acquired by the Commodity Credit Corporation and transferred to the stockpile under section 4(h) of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 714b/th).
- (7) Materials acquired by the Commodity Credit Corporation under paragraph (20) desection 103(a) of the Act entitled 'An Act to provide for greater stability in agriculture; to sugment the marketing and disposal of agricultural pecduces; and for other purposes', approved August 28, 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1743(a)), and transferred to the stockule under the third sentence of such section.
- (8) Materials transferred to the stockpile by the President under paragraph (4) of section 103(a) of such Act of August 28, 1954.

(9) Materials transferred to the stockpile under subsection (b).

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any material that (1) is under the central of any department or agency of the United States, (2) is determined by the band of such department or agency to be excess to its needs and responsibilities, and (s) is required for the subciple; half the transferred to the stockpile. Any such transfer shall be made without minimensement to make department or agreement to make department or agreement to make the position of the provider of the prov

AUTHORITY FOR STOCKPILE OPERATIONS

SEC, 5, (a) (1) Except for acquisitions made under the authority of paragraph [3] or (4) of section 6(a), no funds may be obligated or appropriated for acquisition of any material under this Act unless funds for such acquisition have been authorized by law. Funds appropriated for such acquisition (and for transportation and other incidental expenses related to such acquisition) shall remain available until expended, unless otherwise provided in appropriation Acets.

(2) If for any fiscal year the President proposes certain stockpile transactions in the annual materials plan submitted to Congress for that year under ection 11(b) and after that plan is submitted the rasident proposes (or Congress requires) a signifi-

nt change in any such transaction, or a significant

transaction not included in such plans, no amount may be obligated or expended for such transaction during such year until the President has submitted a final statement of the proposed transaction to the appropriate committees of Compress and a period of 30 days has passed from the transaction of the proposed transaction to the appropriate committee, to the class the committee, before the experience of such period, or confident for the class that the committee, before the expiration of such period, or confident for the proposed transaction. In computing any 30-day period for the purpose of the preceding sentence, there shall be excluded any day on which either themselves the committee of the such as the contraction of the contraction of the committee of the contraction of the such as the contraction of the contraction of the committee of the contraction of

(b) Except for disposals made under the authority of paragraph (s) or (5) of section (5) or under section 7(a), no disposal may be made from the stockpile (1) unless such disposal, including the quantity of the material to be disposed of, has been specifically authorized by law, or (2) if the disposal would result in three being an unobligated balance in the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund in excess of \$253,000,000.

(c) There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to provide for the tramportation, processing, refining, storage, security, maintenance, rotation, and disposal of materials contained in or acquired for the stockpile. Funds appropriated for such purposes shall remain available to carry out the purposes for which appropriated for a period of two fiscal years, if so provided in appropriation Acs.

STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT

SEC. 6. (a) The President shall-

 acquire the materials determined under section 3(a) to be strategic and critical materials;
 provide for the proper storage, security,

(2) provide for the proper storage, security, and maintenance of materials in the stockpile; (3) provide for the refining or processing of

(3) provide for the refining or processing of any material in the stockpile when necessary to convert such material into the form most suitable for storage and subsequent disposition; (4) provide for the rotation of any material in the stockpile when necessary to prevent deterioration of such material by replacement of such material with an equivalent quantity of substantially the same material:

(5) subject to the notification required by subsection (d)(2), provide for the timely disposal of materials in the stockpile that (A) are excess to stockpile requirements, and (B) may cause a loss to the Government if allowed to deteriorate; and (6) subject to the provisions of section 5(b).

dispose of materials in the stockpile the disposal of which is specifically authorized by law. (b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d).

(b) Except as provinced in subsections (c) and (c), acquisition of strutegic and entitled materials under this Act shall be made in secondance with establishment of the structure of the structure of the structure (c) and stru

 competitive procedures shall be used in the acquisition and disposal of such materials;

(2) efforts shall be made in the acquisition and disposal of such materials to avoid undue disruption of the usual markets of producers, processors, and consumers of such materials and to protect the United States against avoidable loss and

(3) disposal of such materials shall be made for domestic consumption.

(e\(\)1) The President shall encourage the use of acquisition of strategic and critical materials for, and the disposal of materials from, the stockpile when acquisition or disposal by barter is authorized by law and is practical and in the best interest of the United States.

(2) Materials in the stockpile, the disposition of which is authorized by law, shall be available for transfer at fair market value as payment for expenses (including transportation and other incidental expenses) of acquisition of materials, or of refining, processing, or rotating materials, under this Act.

(3) To the extent otherwise authorized by law, property owned by the United States may be bartered for materials needed for the stockpile.

(d)(1) The President may waive the applicability of any provision of the first sentence of subsection (b) to any acquisition of material for, or disposal of material from, the stocknile. Whenever the President waives any such provision with respect to any such acquisition or disposal, or whenever the President determines that the application of paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of such subsection to a particular acquisition or disposal is not feasible, the President shall notify the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives in writing of the proposed acquisition or disposal at least thirty days before any obligation of the United States is incurred in connection with such acquisition or disposal and shall include in such notification the reasons for not complying with any provision of such subsection,

(2) Materials in the stockpile may be disposed of under subsection (a)(5) only if the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives are notified in writing of the proposed disposal at least thirty days before any obligation of the United States is incurred in con-

(e) The President may acquire leasehold interests in property, for periods not in excess of twenty years, for storage, security, and maintenance of materials in the stockpile.

nection with such disposal.

SPECIAL DISPOSAL AUTHORITY OF THE PRESIDENT

SEC. 7. (a) Materials in the stockpile may be released for use, sale, or other disposition-

 on the order of the President, at any time the President determines the release of such materials is required for purposes of the national defense; and

(2) in time of war deelared by the Congress or during a national emergency. on the order of any officer or employee of the United States designated by the President to have authority to since disposal orders under this subsection, if such officer or employee determines that the release of such materials is required for purposes of the national defense.

(b) Any order issued under subsection (a) shall be promptly reported by the President, or by the officer or employee issuing such order, in writing, to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives.

MATERIALS DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

- SEC. 8. (a/l.) The President shall make scientific, etchnologic, and economic investigations concerning the development, mining, preparation, testment, and utilization of ores and other mineral substances that (A) are found in the United States, or in its tertrincies or possessions, (B) are seemfal to the national defense, industrial, and essential civilian noces of the United States, and (3) are found in known domestic sources in inadequate quantities or grades.
 - (2) Such investigations shall be earried out in order to—
 - (A) determine and develop new domestic sources of supply of such ores and mineral substances:
 - (B) devise new methods for the treatment and utilization of lower grade reserves of such ores and mineral substances; and
 - (C) develop substitutes for such essential ores and mineral products.
 - (3) Investigations under paragraph (1) may be carried out on public lands and, with the consent of the owner, on privately owned lands for the purpose of exploring and determining the cut ent and quality of deposits of such minerals, the most suitable methods of mining and beneficiating such minerals, and the cost at which the minerals or metals may be produced.
- (b) The President shall make scientific technologic, and economic investigations off the feasibility of developing domestic sources of supplies of any agricultural material or for using agricultural commodities for the manufacture of any material determined pursuant to section (3q) of this Act to be a strategic and critical material or substitutes therefor.

NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND

C. 9. (a) There is established in the Treasury United States a separate fund to be known as

- the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund theceinatter in this section referred to as the Yund'), (b)(1) All moneys received from the saile of materials in the stockpile under paragraphs (5) and (6) of section ((a) shall be overed into the fund. Such moneys shall remain in the fund until appromisted.
 - (2) Moneys covered into the fund under paragraph (1) shall be available, when appropriated therefor, only for the acquisition of strategic and critical materials under section (ia)(1) of this Act (and for transportation related to such acquisition).
 - (3) Moneys in the fund, when appropriated, shall remain available until expended, unless otherwise provided in appropriation Acts.
- (c) All moneys received from the sale of materials being rotated under the provisions of section 6(a)(4) or disposed of under section 7(a) shall be covered into the fund and shall be available only for the acquisition of replacement materials.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

SEC. 10. (a) The President may appoint advisory committees composed of individuals with expertise relating to materials in the stockpile or with expertise in stockpile management to advise the President with respect to the acquisition, transportation, proceasing, refining, storage, security, maintenance, rotation, and disposal of such materials under this Act.

(b) Each member of an advisory committee established under subsection (a) while serving on the business of the advisory committee away from such member's home or regular place of business shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of substance, as authorized by section 5703 of title 5. United States Code. for persons intermittently

REPORTS TO CONGRESS

employed in the Government service.

- SEC. 11.(a) The President shall submit to the Congress every six months a written report detailing operations under this Act. Each such report shall include—
- information with respect to foreign and domestic purchases of materials during the preceding 6-month period;

- (2) information with respect to the acquisition and disposal of materials under this Act by harter, as provided for in section 6(c) of this Act, during such period;
- (3) a statement and explanation of the financial status of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund and the anticipated appropriations to be made from the fund during the next fiscal year; and
- (4) such other pertinent information on the administration of this Act as will enable the Congress to evaluate the effectiveness of the program provided for under this Act and to determine the need for additional legislation.
- (b) The Pesidean shall submit to the appropriate committees of the Congress each year with the Budget submitted to Congress pursuant to Sention 20(a) of the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921 (31 U.S.C. 11(a)). For the next fiscal year a report containing an annual materials plan for the operation of the stockpile during such fiscal years and the succeeding four fiscal years. Each such report shall include details of planued ceptical materials during such period (including accritical materials during such period (including from the general fund of the Treasury) and of anticipated receipts from proposed disposals of stockpile materials during such period.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 12. For the purposes of this Act:

- (1) The term strategic and critical materials means materials that (A) would be needed to supply the military, industrial, and essential civitian needs of the United States during a national emergency, and (B) are not found or produced in the United States in sofficient quantities to meet such need.
- (2) The term 'national emergency' means a general declaration of emergency with respect to the national defense made by the President or by the Congress.

SEC. 13. Netwithstanding any other provision of law, on and after January 1, 1972, the President may not prohibit or regulate the importation into the United States of any material determined to be strategie and critical parament to the provisions of this Act, if such naterial is the product of any foreign country or near one Bated as a Communisttion of the Community of the Community of the Turiff School of the United States (10 U.S.C. 1920), for we long as the importantion into the United States of material of that its which is the preduct of such Communitation Countries or carea in set prohibited by any provision of law.



EXECUTIVE ORDER 12155-STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS

Source: The provisions of Executive Order 12155 of Sept. 10, 1979, appear at 44 FR 53071, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 426, unless otherwise noted.

By the authority vested in me as President of the United States of America by the Strategie and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, as amended (50 U.S.C. 98 et sep.), and by Section 301 of Title 3 of the United States Code, and norder to provide for the performance of certain functions previousby performed by agencies pursuant to their own authority, it is hereby ordered, effective July 30, 1970, as follows:

1-10]. The functions vested in the President by Section 3 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, as amended, hereinafter referred to as the Act, (50 U.S.C. 98b), are delegated to the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Areney.

1-102. The functions vested in the President by Section 6 of the Act (50 U.S.C. 98c) are delegated to the Administrator of General Services.

1-103. (a) The functions vested in the President by Section 8(a) of the Act (50 U.S.C. 98g(a)) are delegated to the Secretary of the Interior. (b) The functions vested in the President by Section 8(b) of the Act (50 U.S.C. 98g(b)) are delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture.

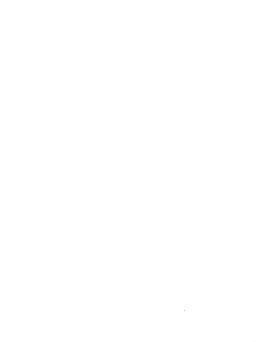
1-104. The functions vested in the President by Section 10 of the Act (50 U.S.C. 98h-1) are delegated to the Administrator of General Services.

1-105. The functions vested in the President by Section 11 of the Act (S0 U.S.C. 98h.2) are delegated to the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The Secretaries of the Interior and of Agriculture and the Administrator of General Services shall submit biannually a written report to the Director. The report shall detail their performance of functions under the Act and this Order.

[Sec. 1-106 amends EO 12148 of July 20, 1979, this chapter, p. 806. The amendments have been incorporated into that

1-107. The functions vested in the President by Section 5(a)(2) of the Act, as amended (50 U.S.C. 98d), are delegated to the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

[Sec. 1-107 added by EO 12417 of May 2, 1983, 48 FR 20035, 3 CFR, 1983 Comp., p. 186.]



THE WHITE HOUSE Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release
NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPH F POLICY

July 8, 1985

RACKGROUND

The President has decided to propose a modernization of the National Defense Stockpile of strategic materials. This proposal comes after 2 years of interagency study and thousands of hours of review at the staff and policy levels at twelve different agencies. The Administration intends to cossult and work with the Congress on this important national security program before the new stockpile goals are transmitted.

The National Defense Stockpile is a reserve of canocine materials that the United States would require in a conflict, but that might not be a valible in saidform quantities from domestic or reliable foreign sources. The previous Administration in 1979 cacioulated the United States' stockpile needs to be \$15.53 billion for 62 materials using May 1900; porces. Toward this goal, the stockpile contains \$6.6 billion in materials. The USG passesses an addicated \$3.5 billion of materials that are supplus to unnert naterials needs are \$8.7 billion under the 1979 ceals.

The President's April S, 1982, "National Materials and Minerals Program Plan and Raport to Congress" announced "a major interdepartmental effort to improve the Nation's perparendense for national mobilization." Part of the review was to address the potential national security impacts of shortages of strategic and critical materials. The treview overed the 42 most significant materials in the stockpile. The remaining materials will be retrieved view there of the program of the progr

The key elements of the Nation's stockpile policy are as follows:

 The National Defense Stockpile will be sufficient to meet the military, industrial and essential civilian needs for a 3-year conventional global military conflict, as mandated by Congress in

- —The conflict scenario used is to be consistent with the scenarios developed by DOD.
- —The stockpile should reflect detailed analyses regarding the conflict period: essential civile, industrial and defense mobilization requirements, foreign trade patterns, shipping losses, pertoleum availability, and foreign and domestic demand and production levels for the materials in question.

POLICY DECISIONS

On the basia of the new stockpile study of materials requirements and supplies during a protracted military conflict, the President has decided that the stockpile for the 42 materials studied will now contain \$6.7 billion in materials and include two tiers.

Goals of \$.7 billion (Tier I) are proposed for materials that would be required during a protracted military conflict that would not be available in sufficient quantities from domestic or reliable foreign sources. The stockpile also will contain a Supplemental Reserve of strategic and critical materials currently valued at \$6 billion (Tier II). The Supplemental Reserve will contain materials that the USG already possesses. This reserve will offer additional assurance against materials shortages during a period of military conflict. Both Tiers of stockpile provide over one year's peacetime levels of imports for such materials as chromium, manganese, cobalt and tantalum. These new stockpile goals will eliminate the \$9.7 billion unmet goal.

The new stockpile will result in surplus materials of \$3.2 billion, as opposed to the \$3.5 billion surplus calculated by the previous Administration. The mix of materials considered to be surplus, however, is different.

The President has decided to sell a portion (\$2.5 billion out of \$3.2 billion) of the surplus materials stocks in a manner—over the next five years—that minimizes market impacts. An interagency group will evaluate ways to ensure that stockpile sales do no cause undue market disruptions.

Receipts from the sales program will go to fill unmort materials goals under the 1998 study, lincluding any goals that may result from analyses of the twenty materials yet to be studied, including any new, high-technology materials, the remainder will go to reduce the deficit. The stockpile goal planning assumptions also will be used for other appropriate mobilization preparedness areas.

STUDY PROCESS

The 1984 stockpile study completed by the Administration included a review of the analysis, methods and assumptions used by the previous Administration in the 1979 study. This review concluded that a number of basic errors and surresities assumptions were used in the 1979 study. The present study relied on more realistic assumptions regarding oil availability, essential civilian requirements and domestic materials production. The new steephig, unlike the one proposed in 1970, censure non-essential consumer preduction in aptensar non-essential consumer preduction in aptracted military conflict. The steephig-does reflect essential civilian goods production with per capital consumption, at more than twice the WW II level.

In the 1984 study, substantial improvements were made in analytic encludes for estimating material requirements and available supply. These changes, the correction of errors and the use of more plausible assumptions, are the primary reasons for the version goals. The 1986 study was started in 1980 or 1986 study was started in 1980 for all phase of the analysis. In all areas, the lates, the started areas of the same place of the analysis. In all areas, the lates, the validable data was used. By contrast, the previous 1979 stockpile goals relied on 1967 data in many cases.

STOCKPILE GOALS*

Commodity	Goal (\$M)	Quantities
Beryllium Concentrate		
Antimony	\$ 12.6	4,585 ST
Bauxite		
Bauxite, Refractory Grade		
Bauxite, Abrasive Grade		
Bismuth		
Cadmium		
Chromium	84.9	200 TH ST
Cobalt	245.0	22.57 M lbs.
Columbium		
Copper		
Diamond, Industrial, Stones		
Fluorspar		
Germanlum	154.8	146,049.4 kg
Graphite, Ceylon	9.9	5,085.5 ST
Graphite, Malagasy	42.0	13,995.9 ST
Graphite, Other	1.6	2,237.1 ST
lodine		
Lead		
Manganese		
Mercury (Mine)		246.4 TH lbs.
Mica, Muscovite Block	1.3	18.7 TH lbs.
Mica, Muscovite Film	0.2	14,391.1 TH lbs.
Mica, Muscovite Split	21.6 0.5	85.0 TH lbs.
Mica, Phiogopite Block	1.0	482.6 TH lbs.
Mica, Phiogopite Split	1.0	402.0 111 100.
Molybdenum		
Nickel		
Platinum Group, Iridium		
Platinum Group, Palladium		
Platinum Group, Platinum	0.2	28.5 TH lbs.
Quartz Crystal, Natural	V-6	2010 1111211
Rubber		
Rutile		
Silicon Carbide		
Sliver	72.1	1,900.7 TH lbs.
Tantalum	72.1	
Tin	43.3	3.9 TH ST
Titanium	40.0	
Tungsten		
Vanadium		
Zino	\$691.0	
	\$691.0	

Goal value based on may on reception

SUPPLEMENTAL RESERVE

Aluminum Oxide, Abrasive Grain Group	65	208,139 ST Ab Grain Eq.
Bauxite	828	4,278,912 ST Al Metal Eq.
Bauxite, Refractory Grade	52	274,926 LCT
Beryillum	164	437 ST Be Metal Eq.
Chromite, Refractory Grade	18	180,000 SDT
Chromium	756	594,123 ST Cr Metal Eq.
Cobalt	65	6 million Lba Co
Columbium	19	2,532,419 lb Cb Metal Eq.
Copper	46	29,048 ST
Diamonds, Industrial Stones	205	7,950,000 KT
Graphite, Cevion (415 ST)	1	415 ST
lodine	31	5.5 million Lbs
Lead	123	300,000 ST
Manganese	369	869,667 ST Mn Metal Eq.
Mica, Muscovite Block	1	200,000 Lbs
Quartz, Crystals	11	1.8 million Lbs
Electrolytic Nickel	24	5.000 ST
Rubber	116	127,455 MT
Silver	543	87.500.000 Tr Oz
Tantalum	84	1,023,320 lbs Ta Metal Eq.
Tin	1,814	150.000 MT
Titanium	233	21.1 TH ST
Tungsten	298	52,215,245 Lb W Metal Eq.
Vanadium	8	722 ST V Metal
Zinc	81	85,000 ST
	\$5,955	

^{*}Value based on May 31, 1985 prices.



United States General Accounting Office Washington, D.C. 20548

National Security and International Affairs Division

B-223657

August 4, 1986

The Honorable James A. McClure Chairman, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources United States Senate

The Honorable Charles E. Bonnett Chairman, Subcommittee on Seapower and Strategic and Critical Materials Committee on Armed Sevices House of Representatives

In July 1985, you asked us to evaluate the National Security Council's (NSC') a study of national defense stockpile goals, the results of which were announced on July 8, 1985, and to obtain participating agencies' views on the study. In subsequent discussions with your office, we were asked to provide this result of the continues of the control of t

Materials, such as cobalt and titanium, are stockpiled to meet increased defense demands expected at the beginning of a wartime mollitation. Which materials, and the amounts to be stockpiled, ean vary significantly depending on the assumptions used. Assumptions need to be made about issues such as the anticipated defense demand, the capability of U.S. industry to surge to meet demand, sacrifices in onenumer-goods production to reallocate resurces to mobilization needs, and the availability of materials from foreign sources in times of conflict.

Because of the assumptions it used, the NSC study recommended a stockpile goal of SO7 billion, which is much lower than the previous goal of \$16.1 billion, established based on a 1979 study. Of \$10.1 billion in steekpile inventory on hand against the previous \$16.1 billion goal, the NSC study recommended selling \$3.2 billion and holding a \$6 billion supplemental reserve, at least temporarily, of materials already on hand.

Our preliminary assessment is that the NSC study does not appear to provide a sufficient basis for setting stockpile goals of for other U.S. mobilization planning. Although the NSC study nethodology was similar to the methods of past studies and node some improvements, the assumptions sued were very different, and the study report did not adequately reflect major disagreements among study participants with regard to key assumptions. Furthermore, the study did not adequately show that its results could vary greatly with changes in its assumptions. Such ranges of results, which can be quantified by doing sensitivity tests on the assumptions used, were a key part of the prior study, and provided decision makers a basis by which to assess the study's conclusion.

We castion that this pricliminary assessment is based on a partial analysis of unclassified material. In our ongoing evaluation of the NSC atockpile study, we are reviewing the atockpile study report and supporting classified documentation, examining past study report and supporting classified documentation, as standing past study and of the study of the study of the study of the SSC study. We are also obtaining the tries of the agencies that participated the NSC study. We are also obtaining the tries of the Origoners. In our remaining most impact on the level of the stockpile. In order to accomplish this task, the study of the study ensistivity tests named to be conducted for each assumption.

MAJOR QUESTIONS ARISING IN OUR EVALUATION OF THE NSC STOCKPILE STUDY

Although our work is not complete, it raises questions about whether the NSC study adequately supports its recommendations to (I) significantly reduces atokyhlegoal levels and (2) use the study's planning assumptions for other mobilizationrepreparedness area. Specific questions include whether NSC study assumptions are consistent with defense planning assumptions and dain, with past U.S. economic and demand by industry on dollers exprise. Such and with estimates of supply and demand by industry on dollers exprise.

Study participants and industry and economic experts have expressed serious concerns about study assumptions, methodology, and results. For example, key study participants said that they did not agree with NSCs assumptions, and that the NSC study did not adequately how the impact of alternative assumptions. Our initial tests confirmed this, and showed that stockpile-goal levels can vary widely as assumption changes.

The NSC study group initially computed a stockpile goal of \$230 million. NSC then modified assumptions by making adjustments to increase material requirements for the defense and industrial sectors and reduce world supply, which increased the goal of \$69 million. However, NSC's adjustments were limited. For example, study participants reported that no changes were considered for such factors as oil availability and essential civilian requirements. Also, the reported adjustments for such assumptions as defense-sector requirements covered only part of the assumptions' plausible range.

We believe that analyses on several additional assumptions are needed, which could provide the basis for decision makers to choose a different soal than the

8691 million NSC proposed. The analyses would involve key assumptions, such as for defense expenditures, nonresidential investment in equipment, the degree of civilian austerity, availability of oil, warnine production capabilities of the critical materials mining and processing industries, and the availability of critical materials imports to the United States.

Plausible changes in many of the study's assumptions could cause computer stockpile goals to vary widely. For example, outside caperls have suggested that, in a major conventional war, the U.S. wattime occommy and associated defense expenditures caused a Stopercent increase in material requirements for increase of contractives caused a 50-percent increase in material requirements for increase to almost \$1 billions—well beyond the \$601 million proposed by the NSC success to almost \$2 billions—well beyond the \$601 million proposed by the NSC success of supply than was done in prior stockpile studies, or was recommended by some study participants. The impact of these kinds of assumption changes needs to be clearly identified through additional analyses.

BASIS FOR INTERIM STOCKPILE PURCHASES OR DISPOSALS

While we believe that final congressional action on approving a stockpile goal should not be made until we have completed our evaluation, and the Administration has responded to our findings, there appear to be some low risk interim actions that can be taken based on areas where the NSC and 1979 studies are in agreement.

Both the NSC study and a 1979 interagency study, coordinated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, agrees that about 34.5 illion worth of materials on hand are excess to national security needs, and could be sold or bartered. On the other hand, the current inventory of at least one natural—germanium—falls abort of both its current and NSC proposed goals Furthermore, material experts among the study perilepians and advisory committees say that some material particular study of the study of the study of the study of the same particular study of the study of the same particular study of the same particular study of the same study of the same study of the Material Advisory Council or the General Services Administration, the desirability of using process from future disposal sales, or moneys already in the National Defense Schoelph Transaction Found, to upgrade such materials.

.

We discussed our preliminary results with NSC and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) officials who coordinated the NSC study. They told us that stockpile goals were driven primarily by defense planning assumptions, and that they believed the NSC study's assumptions to be consistent with defense planning. A detailed discussion would involve classified information; however, we can point out that the defense guidance addresses a likely range of wartime effort including levels greater than assumed by NSC. Also, unlike the NSC study, which accepts increased reliance on foreign sources of material supply, the defense guidance indicates that a growing reliance on foreign sources of material supply, the defense guidance indicates that a growing reliance on foreign sources posses a threat to national security.

Analyses of different assumptions than those used in NSC's proposed \$691 million stockpile geal would, in our opinion, show a much broader range of stockpile goal options. Differing assumptions for a variety of factors have been suggested by top study participants and other experts. In response to our request for further analyses of defense and other assumptions, NSC and OMB officials said that they offer the company of the theory and the company of the company of the company of the company of the theory and the company of th

We are sending copies of this briefing report to the Chairmen, Senate and House Committees on Armed Services, the Senate and House Committees on Appropriation, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the House Committee on Government Operations; to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, and to the beads of the 12 agencies which participated Security Affairs, and to the beads of the 12 agencies which participated request.

If you have any questions, please call Martin M. Ferber, Associate Director for Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics, at 275-4001.

Frank C. Conahan Director

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 2000s.

September 20, 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FRANK C. CONAHAN

Director, National Security and International Affairs Division General Accounting Office

SUBJECT: GAO Interim Report

A review of the GAO interim report on the 1996 NSC Stockpile Study has been completed in consultation with appropriate agency working group chairmen. Our assessment of the report is that it contains a number of incorrect claims; relies heavily on unsupported claims or thoroize of individuals referred to as key study participants and outside experts, and lacks sufficient analysis to support the overall conclusion that the NSC study is inadequate for mobilization planning purposes.

Summarized in the attached is a critique of each major GAO finding in the interim report. A careful review of these critiques will provide the reasons why we believe that the interim report conclusions are not justified or supported. It is recognized that the GAO did not have access to data provided during the past momb in compiling the interim report. Therefore, we strongly urgs the GAO to again thoroughly review all provided materials, ensure complete understanding of the methodology of the NSC study and carefully review and compare the 1979 study documentation prior to issuance of a final report. Additionally, a final report should recognize two things about the NSC study that were not mentioned in the interim report.

First, the 1984 study corrects a number of basic shortcomings in the 1979 study including a flawed assumption about petroleum availability that the GAO criticized in its assessment of the 1979 study. Secondly, the 1986 study uses more vigorous assumptions about the size of the Defense buildup than the 1979 study and in World War II, which resulted in increased material requirements.

It is our intent to work with the GAO and make every effort to provide you with any additional technical data and expertise in completing your review and preparing an accurate final report.

> Rodney B. McDaniel Executive Secretary

Attachment Critique



Apr. 24, 1986

The Honorable Charles E. Bennett Chairman, Subcommittee on Seapower and Strategic and Critical Materials Committee on Armed Services House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Bennett-

This is in response to your letter of February 28, 1986, regarding the Fiscal Year (FY) 1987 Annual Materials Plan (AMP) for the National Defense Stockpile. You requested resubmission of the Plan to reflect existing law and currently approved stockpile goals as well as data on plans for the 4 succeeding years.

Enclosed is a schedule which separately identifies those materials in the FY 1987 AMP that are (1) currently authorized for disposal under existing goals, (2) require new disposal authority, and (3) require statutory changes. Of course, we fully understand that no disposals for ceah can proceed until there is a resolution to the limitation on disposals under Section 501 of the Strategies and Critical Materials Stock Fling Act.

The total program levels for each of the 4 succeeding years are provided in the enclosed information and are consistent with the President's FY 1967 budget. As shown there, annual acquisitions of \$30 million and annual sales of \$500 million are planned for each of the 4 succeeding years.

We are proposing purchases of germanium and other exotic defense materials for a total expenditure of \$150 million over the Syear period. Regarding disposals, we can not in a position to provide destailed estimates of individual materials for the 4 succeeding years. Levels for such disposals will be absend on these preventing market conditions, and cannot destail the succeeding the succeeding the succeeding terms of the succeeding ter

We are in complete agreement that the National Defense Stockpile is a vital part of the defense industrial base. We hope that this additional information adequately addresses the issues raised in your letter. My staff will contact your office regarding any future meetings on areas of mutual concern.

Sincerely,

"SIGNED"

Julius W. Becton, Jr. Director

Enclosures

Suggested Format for FY 1987 Annual Materials Plan (AMP) Revision

The chart shows a suggested format for revision of the FY 1987 AMP incorporating the comments of Congressman Bennett In his letter of February 28, 1986, and including the Office of Management and Budget/National Security Council approved control totals.

The materials have been separated into three groups, as follows:

- Group I Materials having surplus under present goals and existing disposal authority.
- Group II Materials having surplus under present goals but no existing disposal authority.
- Group III Materials having surplus under proposed goals and requiring new goals and new disposal authority.

Actual values have been shown for the FY 1987 list and existing disposal authority has been allocated across the coming fiscal years to indicate when new authority would be needed.

Disposal quantities for the outyears have been set at a Maximum Market Impact quantity (MMI) to realize the maximum receipts in order to meet the \$500 million total shown in the President's budget projections.

The following chart represents a sample of how the 5-year AMP would appear. The actual values beyond FY 1987 would be provided through the interagency AMP Steering Committee.

		19	97	19	88	19	88	19	93	19	91
Group I Meterial - U	Init	Q (000)	V (EM)	Q (000)	V (SM)	Q (000)	V (SM)	Q (000)	V (SM)	Q (000)	V (\$M)
Antimony Ind. Diamond MnO2 Bat. Gr. Man. Ore. Met. Mica, M.F. Silver (Safes) Silver (Coine) Tin Tungsten Therdum Nitrate VTE Cuebracho Subtotal	ST KT SDT SDT LB TR.OZ TR.OZ MT LB LB LT	1.5 1500.0 2.5 50.0 3.0 4400.0 3000.0 4.0 700.0 10.0 1.0 4.0	3.9 39.8 0.2 3.1 0.01 25.9 17.7 36.3 2.3 0.03 0.7 2.7	MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI		MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI		MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI		MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI	
Group II Material - U	init	Q (000)	V (\$M)	Q (000)	V (SM)	Q (000)	V (\$M)	Q (000)	V (\$M)	Q (000)	V (SM)
lodine Mercury Mics, M.S. Mics, P.S. Quartz Crystale Sepphire & Ruby Silicon Cerbida Tungeten	LB FL LB LB KT ST LB	* 800.0 * 3.7 * 262.0 * 100.0 * 100.0 * 7.6 * 200.0	5.1 1.1 .08 .08 .60 .10 3.4 3.96	MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI		MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI		MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI		MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI MMI	
Subtotal			14.4								

^{*} New Authority Needed at this Point.

		19	87	19	888	15	189	19	90	19	91
Group III Materiel - Ur	ult	Q (000)	V (SM)	Q (000)	V (SM)	Q (000)	V (SM)	Q (000)	V (\$M)	Q (000)	V (SM)
Aluminum Oxide, Al		7.8	9.5	MMI		MMI		MMI		имі	
BCMA	ST	9.08	1.0	MMI		MMI		MMI		MME	
Bismuth	LB	138.0	0.6	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Cadmium	LB	285.0	0.2	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Chrome Ore, Chem.	SOT	7.5	0.4	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Chrome Ore, Met.	SDT	50.0	8.5	IMM		MMI		MMI		MMI	
FeCrSI	ST	2.0	1.7	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Chrome Ore, Ref.	SDT	6.0	0.6	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Cobalt	LB	873.0	9.6	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Diamond, Bort	KT	2000.0	2.5	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Fluorapar, Met.	SOT	45.0	5.8	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Fluorspar, Acid	SDT	30.0	5.2	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Graphito, Malagasy											
Flakos	ST	1.0	3.0	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Lead	ST	40.0	15.2	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
MNO2 Syn.	SDT	0.5	0.3	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
MN Metal, Elec.	87	1.0	1.6	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Mice, M.B.	LB	100.0	0.1	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Mice, M.F.	LB	3.0									
Mica, P.B.	LB	10.0									
Nickel	ST	5.0	18,0	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Platinum	TR.QZ	43.5	14.8	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Palledium	TR.OZ	52.5	5.2	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Iridium	TR.OZ	1.7	0.7	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Butile	SDT	10.3	3.4	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
VTF Wattle	17	3.0	2.1	MMI		MMI		MMI		IMM	
Titanium, S.G.	ST	0.9	10.3	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Titanium, NSG	ST	0.9	9.0	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Zino	ST	45.0	31.8	MMI		MMI		MMI		MMI	
Subtotal			156.9								
Grand Total			302.9		\$500.0		\$500.0		\$500.0		\$500.0

STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL MATERIALS STOCK PILING ACT (As amended by the National Defense Authorization Act of 1987) (50 U.S.C. 98 et seg.)

SEC. I. This Act may be cited as the "Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act."

FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

SEC. 2. (a) The Congress finds that the natural resources of the United States in certain strategic and critical materials are deficient or insufficiently developed to supply the military, industrial, and essential civilian needs of the United States for national defaue.

(b) It is the purpose of this Act to provide for the acquisition and retention of stocks of certain strategic and critical materials and to encourage the conservation and development of sources of such materials within the United States and thereby to decrease and to preclude, when possible, a dangerous and costly dependence by the United States upon foreign sources for supplies of such materials in times of national emergency.

MATERIALS TO BE ACQUIRED: PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY AND GUIDELINES

SSC. 3. (a) The President shall determine from time to time (b) which materials are strategic and critical materials for the purposes of this Act, and (2) the quality and quantity of each such material to be acquired for the purposes of this Act and the form in which each work material shall be acquired and surred. Such material shall be acquired and surred. Such materials when scopiler, together with the other materials described in section 8 of which the other materials of the school and the state of the school of the school of the school of the as the National Defense Stockylis (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "stockiller").

(b) The President shall make the determinations required to be made under subsection (a) on the basis of the following principles:

(1) The purpose of the stockpile is to serve the interest of national defense only and is not to be used for economic or budgetary purposes. (2) The quantities of the materials stockpiled should be sufficient to sustain the United States for a period of not less than three years in the event of a national emergency.

(c) The quantity of any material to be stockpiled under this Act, as determined under subsection (a), may not be revised unless the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives are notified in writing of the proposed revision and the reasons for such revision at least 30 days before the effective date of such revision.

MATERIALS CONSTITUTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE

SEC. 4. (a) The stockpile consists of the following materials:

ig materials:
(1) Materials acquired under this Act and
contained in the national stockpile on July 29,

1979.
(2) Materials acquired under this Act after July 29, 1979.

(3) Materials in the supplemental stockpile established by section 104(b) of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (as in effect from September 21, 1959, through December 31, 1966) on July 29, 1979.

(4) Materials acquired by the United States under the provisions of section 303 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S. C. App. 2093) and transferred to the stockpile by the President pursuant to subsection (f) of such section.

(5) Materials transferred to the United States under section 663 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2428) that have been determined to be strategic and critical materials for the purposes of this Act and that are allocated by the President under subsection (b) of such section for stockuling in the stockule.

(6) Materials acquired by the Commodity

Credit Corporation and transferred to the stockpile under section 4(h) of the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act (15 U.S.C. 7144(h)).

(7) Materials acquired by the Commodity Credit Corporation under paragraph (2) of section 10%(a) of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for greater stability in agriculture; to augment the marketing and dispost of agricultural products; and for other purposes", approved August 28, 1954 (T U.S.C. 1748/48), and transferred to the stockpile under the third sentence of such section.

(8) Materials transferred to the stockpile by the President under paragraph (4) of section

103(a) of such Act of August 28, 1954.

(9) Materials transferred to the stockpile under subsection (b).

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, material that (i) is under the control of any department of agency of the United States, (2) is determined by the head of such department or agency to be excess to its needs and responsibilities, and (3) is required for the stockpie hall be transferred to the stockpie Any such transfer shall be and without reimbursement to such department and without reimbursement to such department transfer shall be paid or reimburned from funds appropriated to earry out this Act.

AUTHORITY FOR STOCKPILE OPERATIONS

SEC. S. (a)(1) Except for acquisitions made under the authorit of paragraph (3) or (4) Section (6), 3) Section (6), 3) no funds may be obligated or appropriated for acquisition of any material under this Act unless funds for such acquisition have been authorized by juxlburds appropriated for such acquisition (and for transportation and other incidental expenses related to such acquisition) shall remain available for transportation.

(2) If for any fiscal year the President proposes

no amount may be obligated or expended for such transaction during such year until the President has submitted a full statement of the prospect transaction to the appropriate committee of Congress and a period of 30 days has passed from the uniter or until each such committee, before the expiration of such period, positive the President that it has no objection to the proposed transaction. In computing any 30-day period for the purpose of the preceding sentence, there shall be excluded any day on which either House of Congress is not in seasin because of an adjurnment of more

(b) Except for disposals made under the authority of paragraph (3), (6), or (5) of section (4a) or under section 7(4a), no disposal may be made from the stockpile (1) unless such disposal, including the quantity of the material to be disposed of, has been specifically authorized by law, or (2) if the disposal would result in three being a blance in the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund in excess of \$250,000,000.

(c) There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to provide for the transportation, processing, refining, storage, security, maintenance, rotation, and disposal of materials contained in or acquired for the stockpile. Funds appropriated for such purposes shall remain available to carry out the purposes for which appropriated for a period of two fiscal years, if so provided in anorporation Acts.

STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT

SEC. 6. (a) The President shall-

 acquire the materials determined under section 3(a) to be strategic and critical materials;
 provide for the proper storage, security,

and maintenance of materials in the stockpile;
(3) provide for the refining or processing of any material in the stockpile when necessary to convert such material into a form more suitable for storage and subsequent disposition;

(4) provide for the rotation of any material in the stockpile when necessary to prevent deterioration of such material by replacement of such material with an equivalent quantity of substantially the same material: (5) subject to the notification required by subsection (d)(2), provide for the timely disposal of materials in the stockpile that (A) are excess to stockpile requirements, and (B) may cause a loss to the Government if allowed to deteriorate; and

(6) subject to the provisions of section 5(b), dispose of materials in the stockpile the disposal of which is specifically authorized by law.

(b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), acquisition of strategic and critical materials under this Act shall be made in accordance with established Federal procurement practices, and, except as provided in subsections (c) and (d) and in section 7(a), disposal of materials from the stockpile shall be made by formal advertising or competitive negotiation procedures. To the maximum extent feasible—

 (1) competitive procedures shall be used in the acquisition and disposal of such materials;
 (2) efforts shall be made in the acquisition and disposal of such materials to avoid undue.

disruption of the usual markets of producers, processors, and consumers of such materials and to protect the United States against avoidable loss; and

(3) disposal of such materials shall be made for domestic consumption.
(eX1) the President shall encourage the use of

(c)) the fresheen small encourage the use of barter in the acquisition of strategic and critical materials for, and the disposal of materials from, the stockpile when acquisition or disposal by barter is authorized by law and is practical and in the best interest of the United States.

(2) Materials in the stockpile, the disposition of which is authorized by law, shall be available for transfer at fair market value as payment for expenses (including transportation and other incidental expenses) of acquisition of materials, or of refining, processing, or rotating materials, under this Act.

(3) To the extent otherwise authorized by law, property owned by the United States may be bartered for materials needed for the stockoile.

(dX1) The President may waive the applicability of any provision of the first sentence of subsection (b) to any acquisition of material for, or disposal of material from, the stockpile. Whenever the President waives any such provision with respect to any such acquisition or disposal, or whenever the President determines that the application of puragraph (1), (2), or (3) of such subsection to a particular acquisition or disposal is not feetition of the president of the president of the president Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives in writing of the proposal acquisition or disposal at least thirty days before any obligation of the United States is incurred in consection with such acquisition or disposal and shall only the president of the president of the president of public with are recursion of great posterior of the policy with are recursion of great posterior or the president of public with are recursion of great posterior or the president of the public with are recursion of great posterior or the president of the pression of the president of the president of the president of the p

(2) Materials in the stockpile may be d' posed of under subsection (a)5) only if the fumittees on Armed Services of the Senate House of Representatives are notified in w of the proposed disposal at least thirty hefore any abilization of the United States

curred in connection with such disposal (e) The President may acquire leasehed terests in property, for periods not in excess of twears, for storage, security, and maintena

materials in the stocknile.

NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE MANAGER

SEC. 6A. (a) The President shall designsingle Federal official to perform the functithe President under this Act. The or designated shall be an officer who holds a civposition to which the person was appointed by President, by and with the advice and consent.

(b) The officer designated by the President under this section shall be known for purposes of his functions under this Act as the "National Defense Stockpile Manager."

SPECIAL DISPOSAL AUTHORITY OF THE PRESIDENT

SEC. 7. (a) Materials in the stockpile may be released for use, sale, or other disposition—

(I) on the order of the President, at any time the President determines the release of such materials is required for purposes of the national defense; and

(2) in time of war declared by the Congress or during a national emergency, on the order of any officer or employee of the United States designated by the President to have authority to issue disposal orders under this subsection, if such officer or employee determines that the release of such materials is required for purposes of the national defense.

(b) Any order issued under subsection (a) shall e promptly reported by the President, or by the fficer or employee issuing such order, in writing, o the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives.

MATERIALS DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

SEC. 8, (A(1) The President shall make scientific, schembogles, and economic investigations concernage the development, mining, preparation, treatment, and utilization of ores and other mineral ubstances that (A) are found in the United States, rein its territories or possessions, (B) are essential to the national defense, industrial, and essential william needs of the United States, and (C) are ound in known domestic sources in inadequate untities or arrides.

(2) Such investigations shall be carried out in order to-

 (A) determine and develop new domestic sources of supply of such ores and mineral substances;

(B) devise new methods for the treatment and utilization of lower grade reserves of such ores and mineral substances; and

such ores and mineral substances; and (C) develop substitutes for such essential ores and mineral products.

(3) Investigations under paragraph (1) may be carried out on public lands and, with the consent of the owner, on privately owned lands for the purpose of exploring and determining the extent and quality of deposits of such minerals, the most suitable methods of mining and beneficiating such minerals, and the cost at which the minerals or metals may be produced.

which the mineras or metals may be produced.

(b) The President shall make scientific, schnologic, and economic investigations of the sasibility of developing domestic sources of suplies of any agricultural material or for using gricultural commodities for the manufacture of my material determined pursuant to section 3(a)

of this Act to be a strategic and critical material or substitutes therefor.

NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TRANSACTION FUND

SEC. 9. (a) There is established in the Treasury of the United States a separate fund to be known as the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "fund").

(b) (1) All moneys received from the sale of materials in the stockpile under paragraphs (5) and (6) of section 6(a) shall be covered into the fund.
(2) Subject to section 5(a)(1), maneys covered.

into the fund under paragraph (1) are hereby made available (subject to such limitations as may be provided in appropriation Acts) for the following purposes:

(A) The acquisition of strategic and critical materials under section 6(a)(1).

(B) Transportation, storage, and other incidental expenses related to such acquisition.
(C) Development of current specifications

of stockpile materials and the upgrading of existing stockpile materials to meet current specifications (including transportation, when economical, related to such upgrading).

(D) Testing and quality studies of stockpile materials.

(E) Studying future material and mobilization requirements for the stockpile.
(F) Other reasounble requirements for management of the stockpile.

(3) Moneys in the fund shall remain available until expended.

(c) All moneys received from the sale of materials being rotated under the provisions of section 6(a)(4) or disposed of under section 7(a) shall be covered into the fund and shall be available only for the acquisition of replacement materials.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES

SEC. 10. (a) The President may appoint advisory committees composed of individuals with expertise relating to materials in the stockpile or with exrtise in stockpile management to advise the Presint with respect to the acquisition, transportation, occasing, refining, storage, security, maintenance, tation, and disposal of such materials under this

(b) Each member of an advisory committee tabilished under subsection (a) while serving on e business of the advisory committee away from on member's home or regular place of business all be allowed travel expenses, including per diem lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5703 title 5, United States Code, for persons intertently enableved in the Coverment service.

REPORTS TO CONGRESS

SEC. 11. (a) The President shall submit to the ngress every six months a written report detailg operations under this Act. Each such report all include:

(1) information with respect to foreign and domestic purchases of materials during the preceding 6-month period:

(2) information with respect to the acquisition and disposal of materials under this Act by barter, as provided for in section 6(c) of this Act, during such period:

(3) a statement and explanation of the financial status of the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund and the anticipated appropriations to be made from the fund during the next fiscal year; and

(4) such other pertinent information on the administration of this Act as will enable the Congress to evaluate the effectiveness of the program provided for under this Act and to determine the need for additional legislation.

(b) The President shall submit to the appriate committees of the Congress each year, the time that the Budget is submitted to Conless pursuant to section 1105 of title 31, United States Gode, for the next fiscal year, a report containing an annual materials plan for the operation of the stockpile during such fiscal year and the succeeding four fiscal year. Each such report shall include details of planned expenditures for acquisition of strategic and critical materials during such on of strategic and critical materials during such period (including expenditures to be made from appropriations from the general fund of the Treasury) and of anticipated receipts from proposed disposals of stockpile materials during such period.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 12. For the purposes of this Act:

(1) The term "istrategic and critical materials" means materials that (3) would be needed to supply the military, industrial, and essential civilian needs of the United States during a national emergency, and (B) are not found or produced in the United States in sufficient quantities to meet such need.

(2) The term "national emergency" means a general declaration of emergency with respect to the national defense made by the President or by the Congress.

SEC. 18. Notwithstanding may other provision flux, on or after January, 1973, the President may not prohibit or regulate the importation into the United States of any material determined to be arrange and critical pursuant to the provisions of this Ast, if such material is the product of any decided of the Ast of the